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Recently, I realized that the characters I've been so casually drawing on the spine of the cover only consist of the ones that made it to the final arc of the story.

—Hiromu Arakawa, 2009

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□スカー

Scar



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□キング・ブラッドレイ

King Bradley



□ヴァン・ホーエンハイム

Van Hohenheim



□リン・ヤオ（グリード）

Lin Yao (Greed)



□アルフォンス・エルリック

Alphonse Elric



□エドワード・エルリック

Edward Elric



□アレックス・ルイ・アームストロング

Alex Louis Armstrong



□ロイ・マスタング

Roy Mustang

OUTLINE
FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST

Using a forbidden alchemical ritual, the Elric brothers attempted to bring their dead mother back to life. But the ritual went wrong, consuming Edward Elric's leg and Alphonse Elric's entire body. At the cost of his arm, Edward was able to graft his brother's soul into a suit of armor. Equipped with mechanical "auto-mail" to replace his missing limbs, Edward becomes a state alchemist in hopes of finding a way to restore their bodies. Their search embroils them in a deadly conspiracy that threatens to take the innocence, if not the lives, of everyone involved.

As the "Day of Reckoning" approaches, an intricate chess game has emerged in Amestris. On one side stand the Elrics, Mustang's crew, Olivier Armstrong and a ragtag bunch of chimeras; on the other, Military Command, Kimblee, the Homunculi and their mysterious "Father." As our scattered heroes converge upon Central City, a dormant enemy steps up to stop them. To casual observers, Selim Bradley, the president's son, is the face of innocence. But behind that facade, he is the deadliest of the Homunculi—Pride—an amorphous mass of teeth and destruction.

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KA-
SHUNK

MY PRINCE...

KLUNK

THUMP

KLATTA

SORRY, HONEY.

I'M GREED.

WHA...

IN-COMING.

THAT'S ONE THING I CAN'T DO.

FOUL USURPER! GIVE MY PRINCE HIS BODY BACK!!

CHOMP

KRAK CRUNCH

GLARE

!

SHF

WUMP

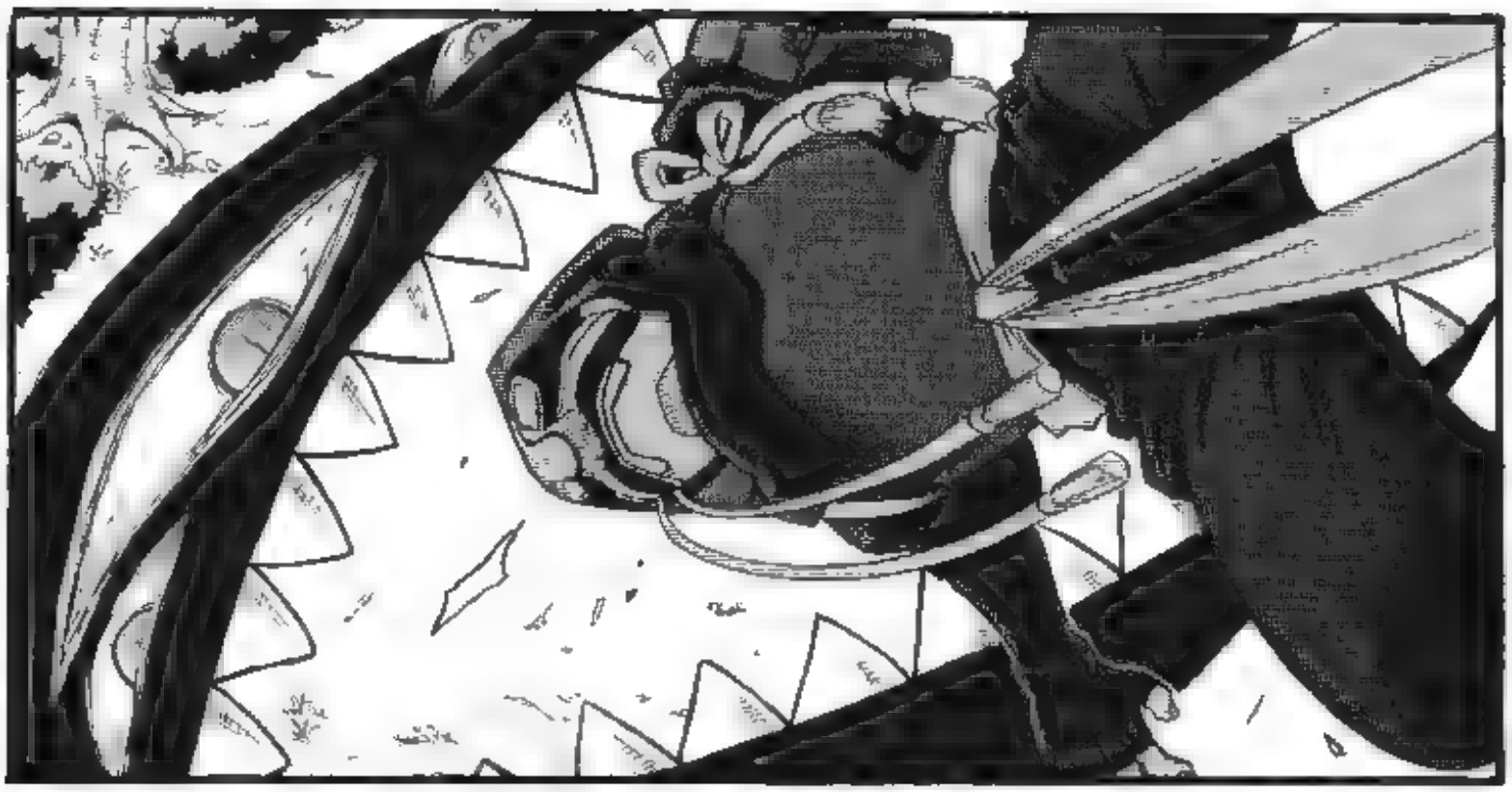
WUMP


TCH-


ZING
RRGH


MY PRINCE!!


SHUNK!!




LEAP


WHAK
YAAAAH!!!
SNIK

WHY DID YOU DO THAT?!

TMP

TMP

ANYONE CAN SEE THAT YOUR ARM HASN'T FULLY RE-COVERED.

GREED CAN TAKE CARE OF HIMSELF!

SLICE

SNIK

AGH!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "WHY?"

MY ACTIONS ARE NOT YOUR CON-CERN !!

YOU SHOULD FOCUS ON PROTECTING YOURSELF!!

WHATEVER. JUST DON'T GO THROWING YOUR LIFE AWAY FOR NOTHING.

WE'RE GONNA NEED YOUR HELP LATER!!

THWACK

YEAH, I'LL MAN-AGE.

YOU ALL RIGHT, HEINKEL?

LION GUY!

SORRY. I COULDN'T FINISH HIM OFF.

DON'T WORRY A-BOUT IT. YOU JUST REST UP

ZU ZU

I CAN'T BLAME YOU FOR NOT BEING ABLE TO KILL IT.

MUNCH MUNCH MUNCH

ZU ZU ZU ZU ZU

GLOOP ZLOOP

EVEN TO ME, THAT THING IS A MONSTER.


WHAT A RUDE THING TO SAY ABOUT YOUR OWN SIBLING, GREED.
I JUST MIGHT HAVE TO EAT YOU!
...BIG BROTH-ER!
IF YOU EAT ME, YOU'LL MESS UP YOUR STOMACH...

Chapter 88
The Understanding Between Father and Son

AL...

AL!

HEY!

AL-
PHONSE!

YUP.

DAD...

HUH...
?

W-
WHERE
AM
I?

THE
KANAMA
SLUMS,
ON THE
OUTSKIRTS
OF
CENTRAL
CITY.

GRAB
YOUR
STUFF
!

GET
A
BUCK
ET!!

GET
ALL
THE
MEN!

HOW
DID I
GET
HERE?

OH
!!
DAD
!!

SELIM
BRADLEY
IS A
HOMUN-
CULUS!!

I
KNOW

GORIUS
TOLD
ME.

THAT'S
DAR-
IUS.

RSTL

RSTL

HRM...

THERE
THEY
ARE.

OH!

I SEE...
THE
HOMUNCULI
ARE
ESSENTIALLY
DERIVED
FROM MY
BODY...

PERHAPS
IT'S EASIER
TO CONTROL
YOU BECAUSE
YOU SHARE
MY BLOOD.

I FEEL
UGH...
DIRTY. THAT
THING
HAD ITS
TENDRILS
INSIDE ME,
AND ITS
SPIRIT WAS
CONTROLLING
ME.

OH OH OH

OLD MAN FOO!

WE'LL TALK LATER.

FIRST, WE NEED TO TREAT HIS WOUNDS.

SO YOU'RE EDWARD'S FATHER.

AND JUDGING FROM YOUR APPEARANCE, YOU MUST BE FROM...XING?

THAT'S RIGHT.

WHAT A WON-DERFUL COUNTRY.

HEY! THIS IS NO TIME FOR CHATTING!

WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO ABOUT THAT SHADOW MONSTER?

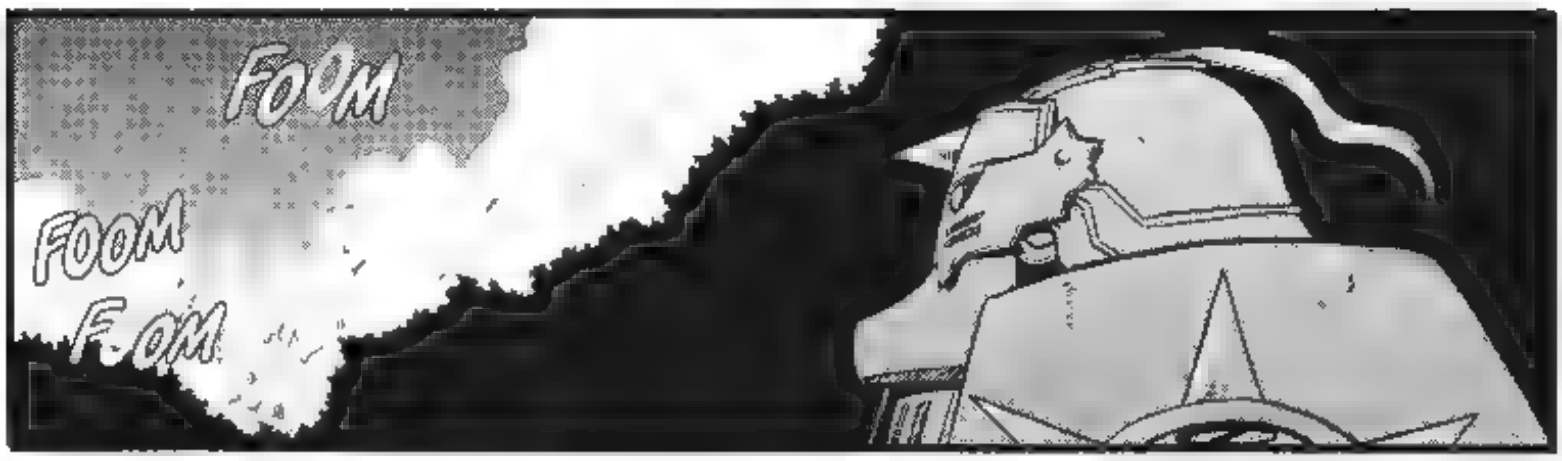
LONG AGO, WHEN I-

SHAD-OW?

YOU MEAN PRIDE, THE HOMUN-CULUS?

THAT'S RIGHT.

IT ATE THAT THING CALLED GLU...SOMETHING AND NOW WE CAN'T EVEN GET CLOSE TO IT.


FOOM
FOOM
FOOM


EVERYONE'S IN DANGER NOW BECAUSE I WAS CAPTURED BY PRIDE...
IT'S ALL MY FAULT.


IF WE DON'T FIGURE SOMETHING OUT SOON, THOSE VILLAGERS ARE GOING TO GET THEMSELVES KILLED.
UH-OH.
WUZA WUZA
THERE'S NO WAY WE CAN USE THE SAME PLAN AGAIN.
THE FIRE IS CREATING A LIGHT SOURCE, AND I'VE USED UP ALL MY FLASH BOMBS.

ONE OF THE BEST.

OF COURSE

YOU'RE A SKILLED ALCHEMIST, RIGHT?

DAD.

GOOD, BECAUSE I HAVE A PLAN THAT'S GOING TO TAKE A MAJOR FEAT OF ALCHEMY TO PULL OFF.

KA.

THUNK

KREEEEAK

WITH NOTHING LEFT TO OBSTRUCT MY VIEW...

MUCH BET TER.

SNAK SNIK

CRACK

SO..

YOU'VE FINALLY DECIDED TO SHOW YOUR-SELF...

SNIF SNIF

!

...I WONDER HOW MUCH LONGER GREED WILL SURVIVE ?

YOUR SMELL GIVES YOU AWAY.

AND THERE'S NO USE IN HIDING BEHIND OBJECTS, EITHER.

ZLOOP

THE HERO ALWAYS ARRIVES FASHION-ABLY LATE.

YUP.

SNAP

HOHEN-HEIM!

SHF

SHF

IF YOU'RE THE "HERO," DOES THAT MEAN YOU PLAN ON DEFEATING ME?

NOT AT ALL! THAT'S IMPOS-SIBLE.

HA HA HA!

I'M NOT THAT BRAVE.

I HAVE NO INTENTION OF FIGHTING YOU.

WHAT COULD HE BE THINKING?

HE MUST BE PLOTTING SOMETHING...

ZWU...

...

ZU ZU ZU

WILL THEY TRY TO DIMINISH MY STRENGTH WITH ANOTHER FLASH BOMB?

SHF.

JUST A LITTLE MORE... A BIT MORE TOWARDS THE CENTER..

GOOD.

IT'S CONCENTRATING ITS SHADOWS AROUND THE BOY IN ORDER TO FOCUS MY ATTENTION IN ONE PLACE.

WILL HE ATTACK?

TWITCH

!

DASH

!!

FREEZE

ZU
ZU
ZU
ZU
ZU
ZU
ZU
KREE

ZWU
ZWU
ZWU

OH!

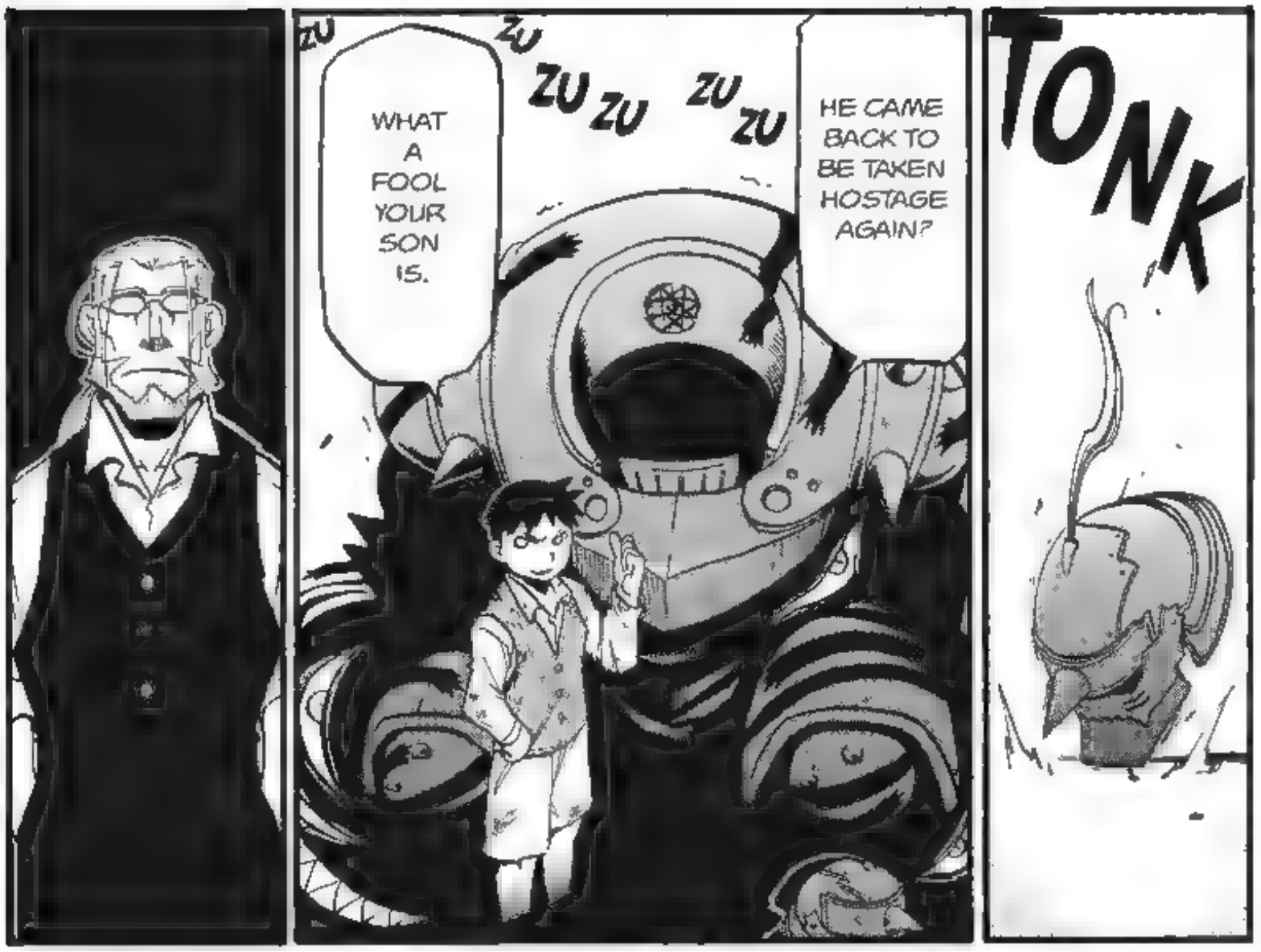
BUT IF I EXTEND MY LINE TOO FAR, YOU'LL HIT ME WITH A FLASH BOMB.

WHAT A PITIFULLY SIMPLE PLAN.

THAT'S IT? FOCUS MY ATTENTION ON HOHENHEIM, THEN STRIKE WHEN MY GUARD IS DOWN?

KREE
KREE
KREE

ZWU
ZWOO
ZWOOP


ZU
ZU
ZU ZU
ZU ZU
WHAT A FOOL YOUR SON IS.
HE CAME BACK TO BE TAKEN HOSTAGE AGAIN?
TONK


DON'T YOU DARE MOCK MY SON.
BZZT

GROOM

WHA...?!

BZZIZASH

GRAB

THAT WAS FAST !!

IT'S HUGE !!

BZZT

HOHEN-HEIM !!

TCH.

FIZZT

VOOM

FREET

!!

FSSHH

BLOP

THAT WAS SCARY...

BA-DUM BA-DUM

WOW! YOU'RE AMAZING!

TONK TONK

DAMN YOU, HOHENHEIM!

TRAPPED IN TOTAL DARKNESS...

TONK TONK TONK TONK

SO YOU'RE TRAPPED IN HERE AS WELL.

THAT'S ALPHONSE ELRIC'S VOICE...

YOUR POWERS ARE USELESS IN HERE.

HA HA HA MY PLAN WORKED!

I NEVER HAD ANY INTENTION OF GETTING OUT OF HERE.

THE MOMENT YOU MAKE AN OPENING TO GET OUT, I'LL USE MY SHADOW TO—

THIS IS NO TIME FOR LAUGH-TER.

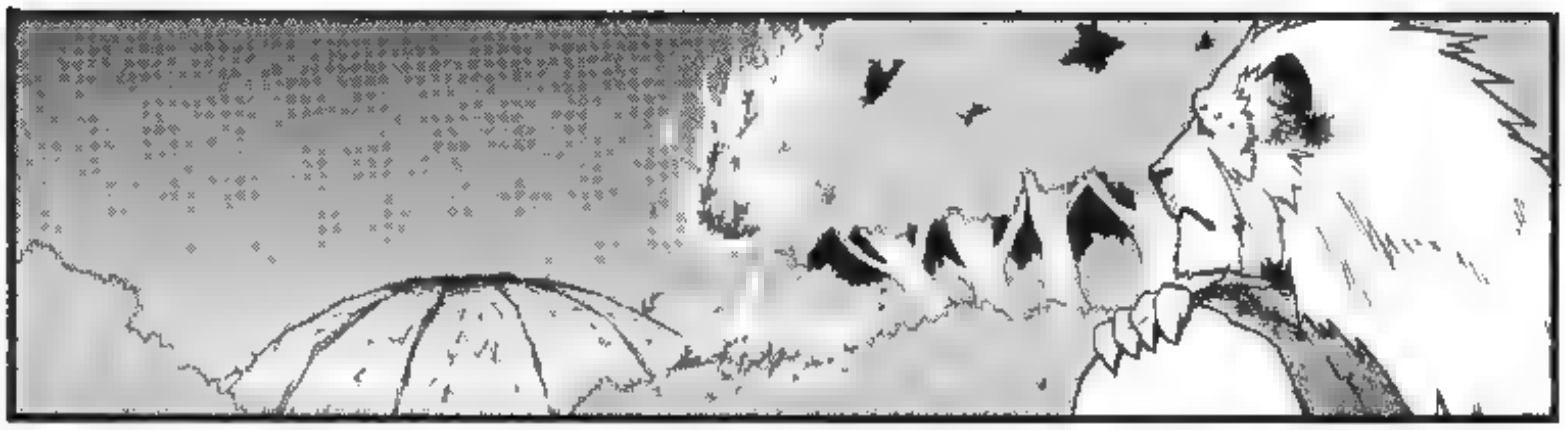
I MEAN..

...PRIDE THE HOMUN-CULUS.

NOW WE'LL SEE WHO CAN MAINTAIN THEIR PATIENCE THE LONGEST, SELIM..

MAYBE WE SHOULD STAY HERE UNTIL YOUR SO-CALLED "PROMISED DAY" HAS PASSED US BY.

MY BODY DOESN'T REQUIRE OXYGEN, LIGHT OR FOOD.




I'M FINE, SIRE...
HOW ABOUT YOU, OLD MAN?


HOW'S HEINKEL DOING?
HUGE
HIS WOUNDS HAVE BEEN TREATED, SIRE.

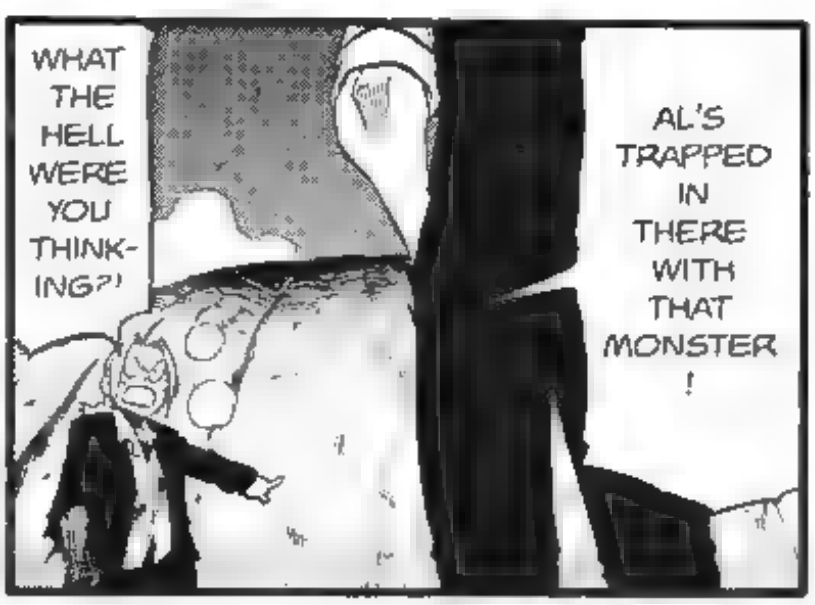

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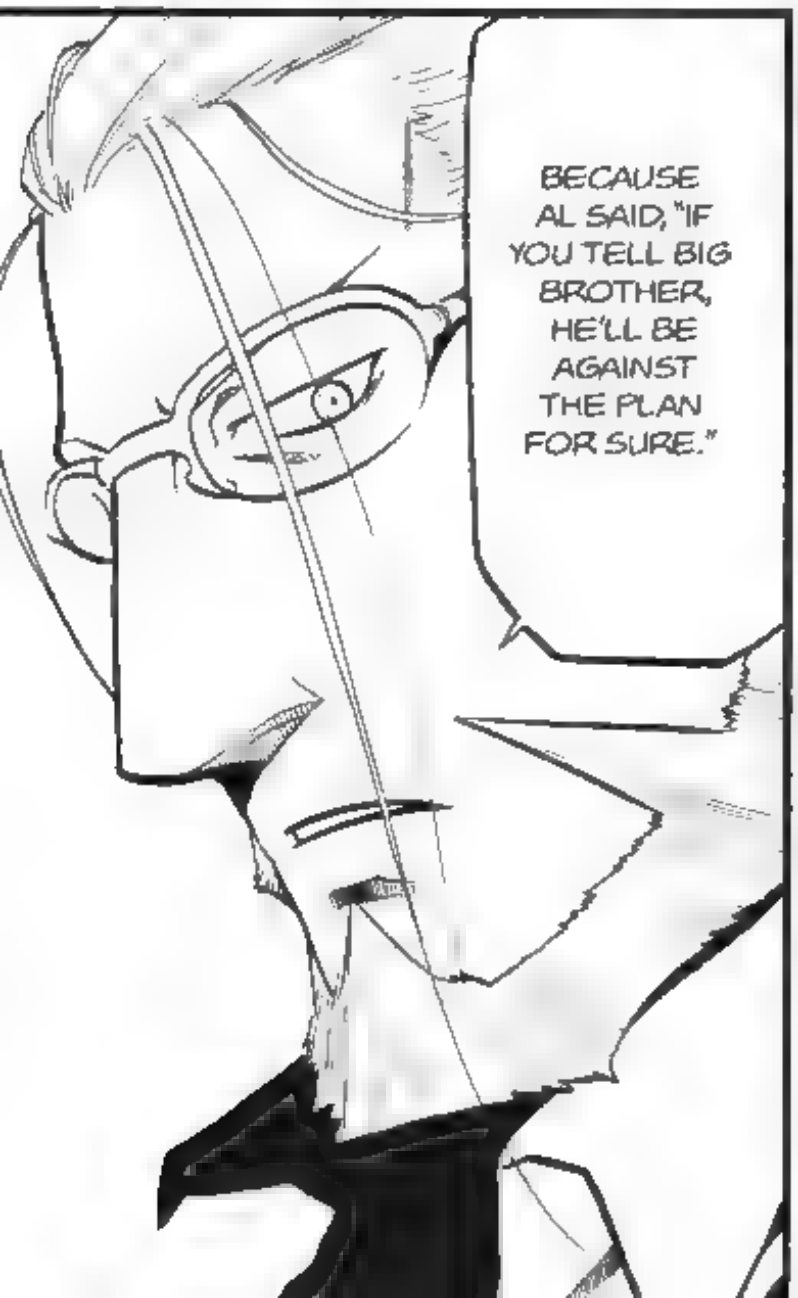

GOOD, GOOD.
AND YOU SEEM ALL RIGHT TOO, LITTLE LADY.
MIND YOUR OWN BUSI-NESS, I'M FINE!!
BUT YOU'RE GREED RIGHT NOW, AREN'T YOU?

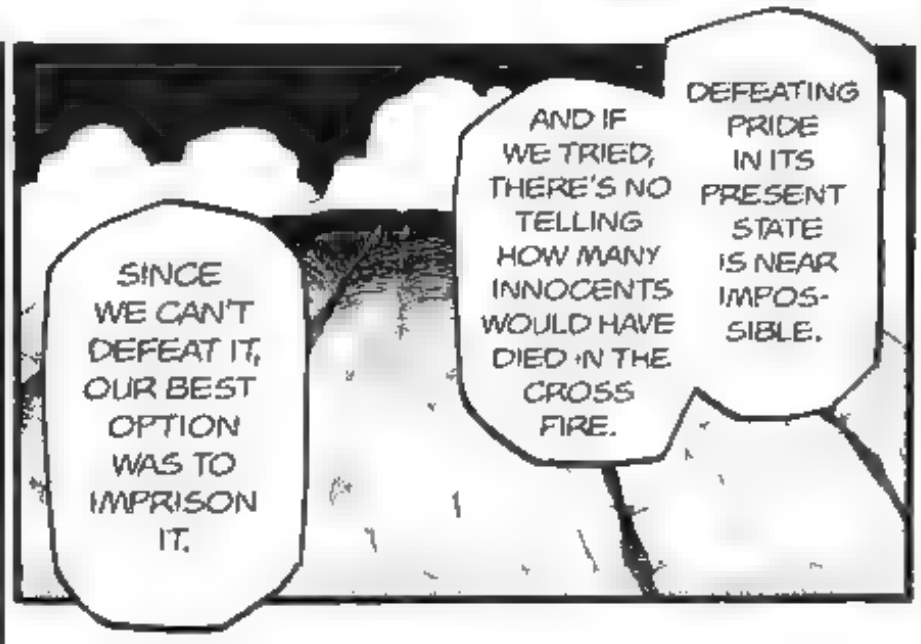

WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS?!


HEY, HOHEN-HEIM!
WHAT'S GOING ON?!


IT WAS AL'S IDEA.
WHA...


WHAT THE HELL WERE YOU THINK-ING?!
AL'S TRAPPED IN THERE WITH THAT MONSTER!


BECAUSE AL SAID, "IF YOU TELL BIG BROTHER, HE'LL BE AGAINST THE PLAN FOR SURE."


SINCE WE CAN'T DEFEAT IT, OUR BEST OPTION WAS TO IMPRISON IT.
AND IF WE TRIED, THERE'S NO TELLING HOW MANY INNOCENTS WOULD HAVE DIED IN THE CROSS FIRE.
DEFEATING PRIDE IN ITS PRESENT STATE IS NEAR IMPOS-SIBLE.


BUT WHY DIDN'T YOU AT LEAST CONSULT WITH ME BEFORE YOU—
NOW WE'VE BOUGHT OURSELVES SOME TIME TO COME UP WITH A MORE *PERMANENT* WAY OF DEALING WITH PRIDE.

AL VOLUNTEERED BECAUSE HE KNEW HE WAS THE ONE THAT WAS MOST SUITED FOR THE TASK.

IN ORDER TO TRAP PRIDE, WE HAD TO MAKE SURE IT GATHERED AS MUCH OF ITS SHADOW AS POSSIBLE TOWARDS THE CENTER.

ALL RIGHT THEN, LET'S PUT THIS FIRE OUT.

OR ELSE AL'S GONNA BE ROASTED ALIVE.

HE CAME UP WITH A PLAN THAT WOULD ALLOW ALL OF US TO SURVIVE.

!

OOOO OOOO

HUH?

HM?

DAMN IT.

WHERE'S GREED ?

LUST IS GONE.

ENVY'S TOAST.

SHF SHF SHF SHF SHF SHF SHF

GLUTTONY IS HISTORY !

..THAT LEAVES ONLY FATHER AND SLOTH IN CENTRAL CITY!

..AND PRIDE IMMOBI-LIZED...

WITH WRATH OFF IN THE EAST..

SHF SHF

HA HA HA !

I TOLD YOU BEFORE, DIDN'T I?!

GRIN

TMP

GREED !

WHAT ARE YOU PLANNING, YOU BASTARD ?!!

I'M GOING TO BE THE KING OF THIS WORLD !!

SKRIT

SKRIT SKRIT

SKRIT

SKRIT SKRIT

GIVE IT UP.

IT WON'T WORK.

DAD WOULDN'T HAVE MADE THE WALL SO WEAK THAT IT COULD BE DUG THROUGH BY A CHILD.

ARE YOU TRYING TO DIG YOUR WAY OUT?

?!

FWUMP

KLATANK

TRIP

I TRIPPED ON IT AND FELL.

STUPID HEAD!

UH..

HUH ?!

ARE YOU LAUGHING AT ME?

NOW THAT HE'S LOST ALL HIS POWERS, HE'S NOTHING BUT A CHILD...

IS THIS REALLY THAT SAME TERRIFYING HOMUNCULUS?

SHE'S JUST A HUMAN LIVING IN BLISSFUL IGNORANCE.

NOT AT ALL.

WAIT!! IS SHE IN ON IT TOO ?!

AFTER ALL, YOU EVEN FOOLED MRS. BRADLEY..

I WAS JUST THINKING THAT IF IT WEREN'T FOR YOUR POWERS AS A HOMUNCULUS, YOU'D BE A PERFECTLY REGULAR KID. IT WOULD BE REALLY EASY TO BE DECEIVED BY YOUR APPEARANCE.

WELL ..

HOW COULD YOU?! SHE'S SUCH A NICE PERSON !!

I BET YOU WERE MOCKING HER BEHIND HER BACK!

THEN YOU WERE DECEIVING HER!

I GUESS SHE'S REALLY THE EPITOME OF A "GOOD MOTHER."

THAT'S TRUE.

ONCE WHEN I WAS ALMOST RUN OVER BY A CAR, SHE PUT HERSELF IN HARM'S WAY TO SAVE ME.

I WAS TRULY SHOCKED BY HER SELFLESS-NESS.

OF COURSE, I COULD'VE EASILY SAVED MYSELF IF I HAD WANTED TO...

I'VE ALWAYS HAD A FATHER, BUT NEVER A MOTHER. I WAS HONESTLY... INTRIGUED.

TONNG

TONNG

I THOUGHT TO MYSELF... "SO THIS IS WHAT A MOTHER IS LIKE."

TONNG

MAYBE WE WERE ONLY ***PRETENDING*** TO BE A ***FAMILY***, BUT I DO HAVE AFFECTION FOR HER.

THAT'S THE TRUTH.

UH...

I...I KNOW YOU GUYS NEED US AS HUMAN SACRIFICES !!

UH.. UM...

HEY !!

DON'T BE FOOLED !

SO DON'T YOU THINK YOUR PLANS WERE A BIT FLAWED?

IF WE HAD LEFT THE COUNTRY IN ORDER TO SAVE OUR OWN LIVES, ALL OF YOUR PLANS WOULD'VE BEEN FOR NOTHING, RIGHT?

YOU HAD NO INTENTION OF SAVING ONLY YOURSELVES. ON THE CONTRARY, YOU CAME TO US IN CENTRAL CITY TO FIGHT.

BUT ALL OF YOU ***DID*** REMAIN IN THIS COUNTRY.

THAT'S HOW YOU HUMAN BEINGS ARE.

WE SIMPLY SELECTED THOSE OF YOU WHO POSSESSED THAT QUALITY IN ABUNDANCE.

TAK

IF THERE IS ONE THING YOUR KIND HAVE SHOWN US OVER THE CENTURIES, IT'S HOW PREDICTABLE THE HUMAN SPIRIT IS.

TONNG

TAK

TAK

TAK

IT'S HARD TO KNOW WHETHER HE'S PRAISING US OR MOCKING US...

TONNG

SO THEN—

HA HA

OH !!

HUH ?

KLATA

KWUNK

SHVE

RSTL

KLATA

I THOUGHT YOU'D BEEN CAPTURED BY THE MILI-TARY.

HEY, ISHBALAN GUY, LONG TIME NO SEE!

KLATTA

HUH ?

YOU KNOW, THE ONE WITH THE BLACK-AND-WHITE CAT.

HUH? WHERE'S THE LITTLE GIRL?

IT'S PRACTI-CALLY IN THE FOREST.

IT'S IN THE SOUTH-ERN OUT SKIRTS OF CEN-TRAL.

YEAH, IT'S HARD TO FIND.

I'M LOOKING FOR THE KANAMA DISTRICT.

WHAT ?!

SHE CAME BACK HERE A LITTLE WHILE AGO. ASSUMED SHE WAS STILL WITH YOU.


WHAT THE HECK IS SHE DOING HERE?
SHE DIDN'T GO BACK TO HER COUNTRY?


WHAT?!
BUT I'M SURE YOU ALREADY KNEW ABOUT THAT, RIGHT?
I HEARD THAT PRESI-DENT BRADLEY DIED WHEN HE WENT EAST.


OH!
LET'S SEE..
WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON?
WE'VE BEEN OUT OF THE LOOP FOR A WHILE


UH-HUH.
WE JUST AS-SUMED THAT...
I DON'T THINK SO.
HUH? WASN'T IT THE ISHBALANS WHO DID IT?
THAT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE HEARD ABOUT IT


IT'S TRUE THAT THERE ARE MANY ISHBALANS COMING TO THE CITY, BUT THAT'S NOT WHAT THEY'RE HERE FOR.
WORD AROUND TOWN IS THAT THEY'RE PLANNING SOME KIND OF TERRORIST ACTIVITY.
... LOTS OF ISHBALANS HAVE BEEN COMING HERE TO CENTRAL CITY OVER THE LAST FEW DAYS.
IT'S JUST THAT...

...WITHOUT RE-SORTING TO TERROR-ISM.

THEY ARE VALUABLE ALLIES WHO HAVE COME HERE TO BRING CHANGE...

KLAK

KLAK

KLAK

KLAK

KLAK

I'VE STAINED MY BRAND-NEW SUIT.

OH, WHAT A SHAME.

I REALLY SHOULD STOP BEING SUCH A WORK-AHOLIC.

KRIK

AFTER ALL, THE MAIN EVENT HAS YET TO BEGIN!



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ALCHEMIST



WHAT HAP-PENED HERE?

AND WHAT'S UP WITH THAT WEIRD MOUN-TAIN?

WAS IT A FIRE?

WHOA. WHAT'S THIS?

THESE ARE THE KANAMA SLUMS, RIGHT?

JELSO AND ZANPANO !

HEY !! DARIUS ?!

HUH ?

HUH ?

HUH ?

I QUIT WORKING FOR KIMBLEE AGES AGO!

WHAT ARE YOU TALK-ING ABOUT ?

YOU BASTARD, DID KIMBLEE SEND YOU HERE TO FINISH US OFF?!

GYA! YADDA! BICKER!

...AND SCAR..

IRK! GYA!

YOU IDIOTS! LISTEN TO WHAT I'M TELLING YOU!!

RAAH! SQUABBLE!

YOU'RE JUST TRYING TO TRICK US SO YOU CAN KILL US WITH THAT SAW, AREN'T YOU?!!

GYA!

OH HEY! DR. MARCOH !

EDWARD !

YOU WANNA MESS WITH US, SHORTY ?!!

PIGGY, FATTY, AND GORILLA, STOP FIGHTING.

SHUT UP.

THAT'S TRUE.

I WAS PRETTY OBVIOUS THAT HE WAS GONNA DUMP US AS SOON AS HE GOT WHAT HE NEEDED.

THERE WAS NO POINT IN WORKING FOR A GUY LIKE THAT.

UH-HUH.

WHAT? YOU GUYS TOO?

AT THE VERY LEAST, THOSE GUYS WILL NEVER ABANDON US.

HUH ?

YUP.

AFTER ESCAPING FROM KIMBLEE WE BECAME FUGITIVES, BUT HEY, NO REGRETS, EH?

BY HIM-SELF?

HE SAID THAT HIS FACE IS THE ONLY ONE THAT'S NOT KNOWN TO THE ENEMY, SO IT'S EASIER.

HE WENT TO CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING INSIDE CENTRAL CITY.

WHERE'S THE OLD MAN GOING?

OH, OKAY...

...BUT I'M SURE HE'S MAINLY WORRIED ABOUT LIN'S WHERE-ABOUTS.

HE ALSO SAID HE WOULD TRY TO FIND OUT WHAT COLONEL MUSTANG IS UP TO AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE...

UH-HUH...

ARE YOU FINISHED TALKING TO SCAR AND THE OTHERS?

WE'RE ALL SET THEN.

TELL ME A-BOUT IT.

I'D GO CRAZY IF I WAS STUCK IN TOTAL DARKNESS WITH A MONSTER LIKE THAT.

YOUR BROTHER SURE IS SOME-THING ELSE

THE REST...

POF

POF

AL IS GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND TO KEEP US SAFE.



Chapter 89
Soldiers' Return

WHERE IS IT? GET IT OUT FOR US!

LET US BORROW YOUR TELE-SCOPE!

WHAT DO YOU GUYS WANT?

BIG BROTHER, BIG BROTHER.

BIG BROTH-ER DENNY!

UNDER-STOOD, SGT. DENNY BROSCH, SIR!

RSTLE RSTLE RSTLE

AYE, AYE, SIR!

I'M STILL SLEEPY FROM WORKING THE N-GHT SHIFT.

FIND IT YOUR-SELF...

THERE'S GONNA BE A *SOLAR ECLIPSE!*

WE WANNA LOOK AT THE SUN!

WHAT DO YOU NEED IT FOR?

A SOLAR ECLIPSE ?

THEN WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

WELL, I GUESS YOU COULD PUT SOME SOOT ON THE LENS...

OH, OKAY.

GASP!

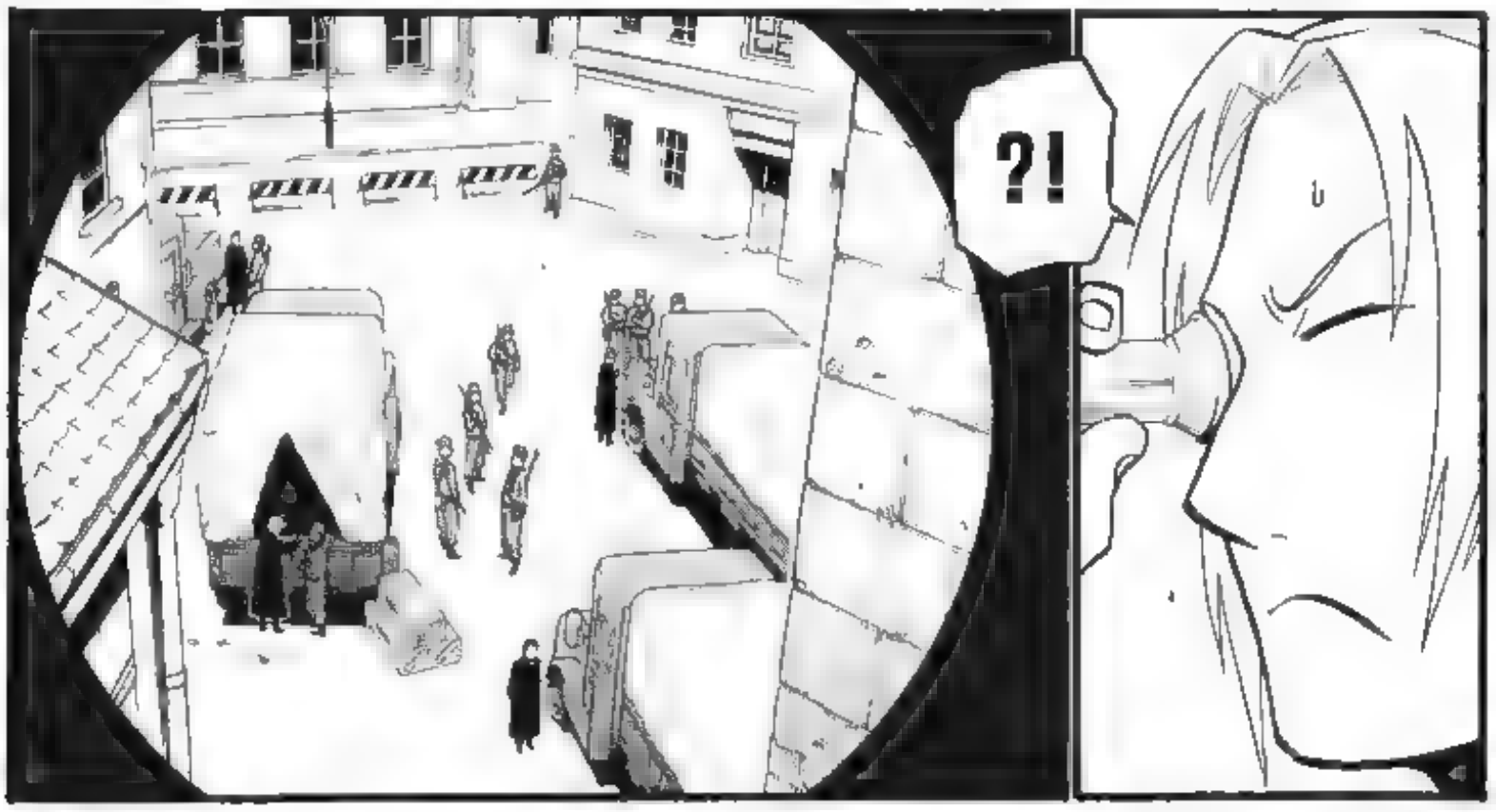
NO WAY !!

IF YOU LOOK AT THE SUN WITH A TELESCOPE, YOU'LL GO BLIND.

UH, GUYS...

?


LOOK, BIG BROTH-ER !


?!


TMp TMp TMp TMp
YOU KNOW YOU'RE TOO LATE FOR BREAKFAST, RIGHT?
HEY, DENNY.
I DON'T WANT ANY !


BIG BROTH-ER ?
YOU GUYS, DON'T GO OUTSIDE TODAY.

BE-CAUSE I SAID SO!

WHY?

STAY IN THE HOUSE, ALL OF YOU!

SNAP

SEDI SQUAD HAS ENGAGED THE MUSTANG GROUP IN THE WESTERN SECTOR

THEY'RE TAKING HEAVY DAM-AGES!

BOOM

FOUR, SIR- COLONEL MUSTANG, LT. HAWKEYE, 2ND LT. BREDA AND SGT. MAJOR FURY.

HOW MANY OF THEM ARE THERE?

DON'T WORRY ABOUT THE PRES- IDENT'S WIFE.

THAT DOESN'T MATTER.

WE'RE UNABLE TO RETALIATE BECAUSE THEY'VE TAKEN THE PRESIDENT'S WIFE HOSTAGE, SIR.

SIR?

KLAK

KLAK

KLAK

KLAK

KLAK

HE COULD HAVE KEPT HIS PRECIOUS SUBORDI- NATES IF HE HAD JUST DONE AS HE WAS TOLD.

THAT FOOL DOESN'T KNOW WHEN TO QUIT.

THE PRES- IDENT'S WIFE IS USELESS TO US.

JUST MAKE SURE YOU CAPTURE ROY MUSTANG ***ALIVE.***

THERE ARE ONLY FIVE OF THEM.

WE'LL OVERWHELM THEM WITH OUR SUPERIOR NUMBERS.

ELIMINATE HER ALONG WITH THE COLONEL'S SUBORDINATES.

Y...

YES, SIR.

ONLY FIVE?

WE GATHERED ALL OF THESE MEN FOR JUST FIVE TARGETS?

SO, IS THIS FLAME ALCHEMIST KIND OF LIKE A BIG FLAME THROWER?

WHO KNOWS?

I'VE NEVER EVEN SEEN HIM.

WHAT'S THE BEST WAY TO ENGAGE HIM THEN?

SERGEANT, YOU'RE A VETERAN OF ISHBAL, AREN'T YOU, SIR?

YEAH, I'VE SEEN HIM IN ACTION.

THEN, *BOOM!* THE TARGET JUST EXPLODES.

?

FIRST, HE SPARKS UP THE DUST IN THE AIR AS A MAKESHIFT FUSE.

...

KRAKLE

FZZT

WAHAHA!

I DON'T GET IT.

I DON'T GET IT EITHER !

HAHAHAHAHAHA!

KABOOM

DASH DASH

AAAAH!!

TMP TMP TMP
TMP TMP
THIS WAY !!
HURRY !!
!
THEY'VE GOT THE PRESI-DENT'S WIFE WITH THEM!
C3! CHECK UP TOP!
C6! GUARD THE EXIT!
THEY WON'T GET FAR!

CHOK
CHOK
FREEZE !!
KRASH
CHK
YOU CAN'T USE YOUR FLAMES IN THESE CLOSE QUARTERS, CAN YOU, TRAITOR?

YOU WON'T SHOOT, NOT WITH HER HERE.

CHAK

SHOOT EVERY-ONE...

...EXCEPT COLONEL MUSTANG.

BLAM BLAM BLAM BOOM








TICK


BULL'S EYE.


HUH?
EVERYONE EXCEPT THE COLONEL? SO YOU WERE GONNA SHOOT THE PRESIDENT'S WIFE TOO?


BUT NOW I WISH I HADN'T.
THOSE WERE THE WORDS I WANTED TO HEAR..




CAN IT BE...?
HAVE MY HUSBAND AND I...
...BEEN ABAN-DONED BY THIS COUNTRY?


ARE THESE GUYS NUTS?
GUNNING DOWN AWOL SOLDIERS LIKE US, I GET, BUT THE PRESIDENT'S WIFE?!

...WAS IT MY HUSBAND WHO ABAN-DONED ME?

OR..

I DON'T KNOW, BUT I PROMISE THAT WE WILL PROTECT YOUR LIFE NO MATTER WHAT.

I DON'T KNOW, MA'AM.

AND WHEN ALL OF THIS IS OVER, YOU CAN PROVE TO THE GOOD PEOPLE OF THIS NATION THAT WE WEREN'T THE ONES WHO CROSSED THE LINE.

PLEASE HURRY

MORE TROOPS ARE COMING, SIR!

KA-

BLAM

IF WE WERE BRIGGS TROOPS, YOU'D ALREADY BE DEAD.

SHF SHF SHF

YOU'RE LUCKY.

WHAT ?

COLO NEL

NGYAAGH!!

MAYBE WE COULD MOVE FASTER IF SHE WAS UN-CONSCIOUS, SIR.

IF SHE PASSES OUT, OUR MOVE-MENT WILL BE HINDERED EVEN FURTHER.

NO.

YOU HAVEN'T TOLD THE PRESIDENT'S WIFE THAT HER HUSBAND IS MISSING YET?

YOU SURE ARE POPULAR, COLONEL.

THERE ARE TROOPS ALL OVER THE PLACE, SIR.

KRAKLE

THE OTHERS WILL BE MAKING THEIR MOVE RIGHT ABOUT NOW.

BZZT

LURE THEM IN AS CLOSE AS POS-SIBLE.

KA BOOM

RRGH

APPARENTLY, THEY HAVE AT LEAST A *PLATOON* NOW!

THE ENEMY'S NUMBERS HAVE *IN-CREASED*, SIR!

WHAT'S TAKING SO LONG?!! THERE ARE ONLY FIVE OF THEM!!

THEY'RE STILL ALIVE ?!!

ZERO CASUAL-TIES!

CHMP

THAT BASTARD... WHERE DID HE GET SO MANY MEN?

AH ! YES, SIR.

GIVE ME A DAMAGE REPORT !

FIFTY-NINE WOUND-ED !

SLAM

BLAM

BLAM BLAM

BLAM

I'M OUTTA SHAPE

BLAM

BOOM

AAAH!

HEY, THAT'S THE FLAME ALCHEMIST, ISN'T IT?

KOFF

YECH PEH

YEAH, I HEARD HE WAS AMAZING AT ISHBAL...

THAT WAS CLOSE.

UGH!

I KNOW. ALL THE EXPLOSIONS SO FAR HAVE BEEN PRETTY SMALL.

KOFF

STILL... ...HE DOESN'T SEEM AS DANGEROUS AS I EXPECTED.

UGH...

KOFF

BOOM

AGH!!

KRAKLE

!!

PECK!

KOFF

JESS

GASP!

ZERO CASUALTIES!
FIVE INJURED.
WHAT'S OUR DAMAGE?!
CRAP! I'VE BLOWN MY EARDRUM!
I THOUGHT I WAS GONNA DIE
GEHOFF
RETREAT!
...!
WE'RE LUCKY NO ONE DIED.
KA-BLAM
..DON'T YOU THINK IT'S ODD THAT WE DON'T HAVE ANY CASUALTIES?
CONSIDERING THAT THEY HAVE "THE HERO OF ISHBAL" AND THE INFAMOUS "HAWKEYE"..
COULD IT BE..?

IT MUST BE TRUE.

THEY'RE...

GAAAGH!

NO, SIR.

THEY'RE NOT KILLING ANYONE ?!

CLENCH

SEND OUT BOTH THE DIMITRI AND KIM SQUADS !!

I WANT TO SEE THE CORPSES OF MUSTANG'S MEN STACKED UP RIGHT HERE IN FRONT OF ME!!

TH...

THEY'RE MOCK-ING US!

MANY HAVE BEEN WOUNDED, BUT SO FAR WE'VE SUFFERED ZERO CASUAL TIES.

EVEN THE MEN WHO HAVE BEEN SHOT HAVE ALL BEEN WOUNDED IN NONVITAL AREAS OF THEIR BODIES.


DON'T LET THEM GET IN *HIS* WAY!!


WHAT THE HELL IS COMMO-DORE KLEMIN DOING?!
MUSTANG STILL HASN'T BEEN CAPTURED ?
I HEAR THAT THE ENEMY IS DIMINISHING OUR COMBAT STRENGTH WITHOUT EVEN KILLING ANY OF OUR TROOPS...
THERE'S NO WAY THEY CAN KEEP THAT UP.
WHAT IS HE THINKING ?
QUITE SO.
COLO-NEL MUSTANG MUST HAVE GONE SOFT.

THIS IS ALL MERE ***CHILD'S PLAY.***

BUT THE CENTRAL CITY TROOPS MUST BE ***EVEN SOFTER*** IF THEY CAN'T DEFEAT THEM.

SINCE ITS FOUNDING, THIS COUNTRY HAS NEVER BEEN ATTACKED BY A POWERFUL ENEMY.

YOU COULD THANK THE MAN DOWNSTAIRS KEEPING OUR BORDERS SAFE BY STAYING ON THE OFFENSIVE...

...BUT THAT OVER-CONFIDENCE IS THIS COUNTRY'S BIGGEST WEAKNESS.

WHAT ?

YOU'RE GREAT AT ATTACKING BUT HAVE A TERRIBLE DEFENSE.

THEREFORE, HOW ABOUT LENDING ME A FEW OF YOUR CENTRAL CITY TROOPS?

YOU FORGET YOUR PLACE, ARMSTRONG.

YOU'RE MERELY BEING ***DETAINED*** HERE, THAT'S ALL.

DO YOU REALLY THINK YOU'RE HERE BECAUSE OF YOUR ABILITIES?

HA HA HA !

KEEP THEM IN MIND IF YOU HAVE ANY IDEAS OF REBELLION.

PLUS, YOU SAW THE TROOPS THAT WE HAVE STORED UNDER-GROUND, DIDN'T YOU?

I'M AWARE OF THE CLOSE BOND BETWEEN YOU AND YOUR BRIGGS TROOPS.

KEEPING YOU HERE ACTS AS A POWERFUL DETERRENT AGAINST THE THREAT OF RESISTANCE FROM THOSE MEN.

"SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST" IS THE LAW OF BRIGGS!!

IF I DIED HERE, THEY WOULD SIMPLY CAST ME ASIDE BECAUSE I WAS TOO WEAK.

I'VE ALREADY TOLD MY MEN TO ABANDON ME IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY.

WHAT ?!

YOU UNDERSTAND ***NOTHING*** ABOUT US.

THAT'S THE BRIGGS ARMY.

A FORCE THAT CAN ACT UNFLINCHINGLY AND WITHOUT HESITATION EVEN IN MY ABSENCE...

TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP

ALL RIGHT.

LET'S GO.

COLONEL MUSTANG IS ENGAGED IN COMBAT IN THE WESTERN INDUSTRIAL SECTOR.

A LARGE NUMBER OF ENEMY TROOPS HAVE BEEN SENT THERE

WE CAN FINALLY SAY GOODBYE TO THIS UNDER-GROUND STORAGE.

DON'T TALK SO LIGHTLY ABOUT THE TROOPS THAT I'VE TRAINED WITHOUT KNOWING THE FACTS.

IT'S TIME TO RIP OUT THE THROATS OF THOSE SPINELESS FOOLS IN CENTRAL CITY HEAD-QUARTERS.

TMP

TMP

TMP

TMP

TMP

VETERANS, ALL. EACH ONE OF THEM CAPABLE OF GOING TOE-TO-TOE WITH A BRIGGS MOUNTAIN GRIZZLY.

WOOO

SEE? HERE THEY COME NOW

WOOO

?!

WOOO WOO

THOSE DOLLS THAT YOU'RE ALL SO PROUD OF VERSUS MY MEN- I WONDER WHICH WILL PROVE TO BE STRONGER?

HOW CAN THAT BE? IT'S NOT LIKE THEY CAN USE MAGIC!!

THEY JUST SPRANG UP INSIDE THE CITY OUT OF NOWHERE...

WOOOO

MORE TROOPS ?!

WOOO

HOW MANY MEN DO THEY HAVE ?!

UN-KNOWN, SIR! BUT JUDGING FROM THEIR EQUIP-MENT THEY MUST BE...

DAMMIT! OF ALL THE PLACES THEY COULD'VE STRUCK, THEY HAD TO ATTACK US IN THE WESTERN SECTOR WHERE WE HAVE SO FEW MEN...

WOOO

WOOO

UNBE-LIEVABLE! WHERE DID THEY COME FROM?!!

...FROM THE NORTH–

SHUNK

JUST HOW BIG IS THAT MANSION ANYWAY, SIR?!

UH-HUH. WE SNUCK IN WEAPONS AND TROOPS BY HIDING THEM AMONGST THE CONSTRUCTION SUPPLIES WHILE THE MANSION WAS UNDER REPAIR.

INSIDE THE ARM-STRONG MAN-SION ?!

RA-TA TAT TAT

STOP LYING. YOU KNOW YOU WOULD NEVER KILL YOURSELF.

I'M DOWN TO MY LAST BULLET, AND I GOTTA SAVE THAT ONE FOR ME.

DAMMIT! ALMOST EVERY-ONE'S OUT OF AMMO NOW.

KLINK

SKKID

CHARLIE, TOSS ME A CLIP!

PLUS, I HAVE A WIFE WHO'S WAITING FOR ME AT HOME.

I DON'T WANT TO DIE WITH ANOTHER MAN, SIR.

UM.., ISN'T THAT WHERE YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO SAY, "I'LL STAY WITH YOU TILL THE BITTER END, SIR"?

HEY, YOU TWO. DON'T HESITATE TO LEAVE ME BEHIND AND ESCAPE IF THERE'S NO OTHER CHOICE.

ROGER THAT !

BZASH

!

OH, IS THAT SO ?!

KOFF

GAGH!

GEHOFF KOFF KOFF

KA-

BOOM

OH YEAH?! GOOD!

THEY MUST BE OUT OF BULLETS, SIR.

KOFF!

KOFF!

THEY'RE HARDLY USING THEIR GUNS TO ATTACK US ANYMORE, SIR.

VROOM...

TELL THE REMAINING MEN TO GET READY!

LET'S FINISH THEM OFF!

SKKKREEEEEEEEEE

AAAAAAH!!!

?!

SKRE

E EE E

FUNNY BEAR

ICE CREAM

FUNNY BEAR

E EE E E EE E

KLINK

ICE CREAM

WHEN I SAW THE FLAMES, I THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE YOU GUYS. I GUESS I WAS RIGHT!

TING TONK

RE-BECCA !!

LEMME GUESS. OUT OF AMMO ?

YOO HOO, RIZA !

BE

POP!

TA-DAH!

YEAAAY!!

THEN DO I HAVE A PRESENT FOR YOU! ♡

IS THIS AN AR-MORED TRUCK?!

RIGHT ON, REBECCA!! I LOVE YOU!!

SHUT UP! I DON'T WANT GUYS LIKE YOU WITH NO MONEY HITTING ON ME!

HERE YOU GO, SIR.

TING

HM?

OH, THANKS.

TAK.

LONG TIME NO SEE, COLONEL MUSTANG.

WHY AREN'T THEY RUSHING IN TO ATTACK ?!

THEY CAN'T GET TOO CLOSE TO US BECAUSE WE HAVE THE FLAME ALCHEMIST ON OUR SIDE.

BUT ON THE OTHER HAND, THE COLONEL CAN'T USE HIS FLAMES AS MUCH AS HE WOULD LIKE BECAUSE WE'RE INSIDE THE CITY..

CHING

SWIF

2ND LT. MARIA ROSS...

...RETURNING TO DUTY WITHOUT AUTHORI-ZATION, SIR!!

I CAME TO CENTRAL CITY TO FIND ME A GOOD MAN, BUT THEY'RE ALL SO **SPINE-LESS.**

AW, JEEZ

HMPH !!

THOOM

VREEEE...

WHA...
?

BOOSH

VO

OM

AAGH
!

BLAM
BLAM

KOFF
KOFF KOFF

DAMN
IT.

THEYRE
GET
TING
AWAY

KOFF
KOFF
KOFF

ERRGH..

DID YOU GET ALL OF THIS STUFF IN XING?

HUH ?

..FORTIFIED WITH EXTRA-RED CHILI POWDER FOR KICK!

THAT WAS SOME XING-MADE TEAR GAS...

VRM VRM

WHO AUTHORIZED THIS?

I NEVER REQUESTED THIS SHIPMENT.

VRM VRM

..COLONEL ?

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPEAK TO HIM DIRECTLY

PFT!

HEH HEH HEH..

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR-

THIS IS COLONEL MUSTANG FROM THE STATE MILITARY SPEAKING

AN IMPOR-TANT OFFICIAL FROM XING?

HERE YOU GO, SIR.

NO NEED TO BE SO POLITE, SIR.

LET'S JUST TALK TO EACH OTHER LIKE WE ALWAYS DO, COLONEL.

SERVING THE COMMUNITY FOR 80 YEARS.

THIS IS HAVOC'S, YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD GENERAL STORE!

WE HAVE EVERYTHING FROM RUBBER WAISTBANDS FOR YOUR UNDERWEAR TO ARMORED TRUCKS.

ONE PHONE CALL AND WE'LL DELIVER ANYWHERE!

I'LL PAY YOU WHEN I'M PRO-MOTED.

PUT IT ON MY TAB!

WELL, SIR?

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO PAY?



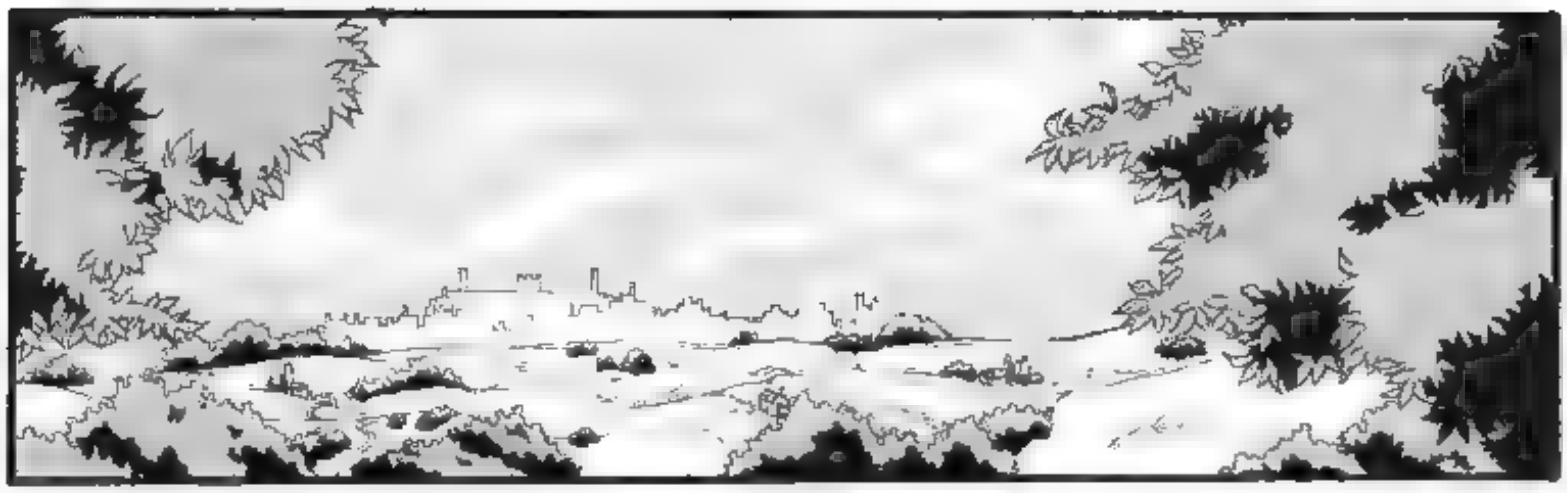
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SHE'S RIGHT
I CAN FAINTLY HEAR A SIREN TOO.
THERE'S SMOKE RISING FROM THE CITY.
WHAT?


OKAY.
I SAY WE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE COMMOTION AND STRIKE AT THE CENTER OF THE UNDER-GROUND PASSAGE-WAYS.
I DO HAVE A COUNTER-MEASURE IN CASE HE ACTIVATES THE NATIONAL TRANSMUTATION CIRCLE, BUT IF WE CAN PREVENT HIM FROM ACTIVATING IT, THAT WOULD BE IDEAL.
THEY MUST BE REALLY GOING WILD THEN.
SO THE COLONEL AND THE OTHERS ARE MAKING THEIR MOVE?
WHAT'RE WE GONNA DO?

IF WE DESTROY THE CONTAINER, HE'LL MOST LIKELY DIE.

HE'S STILL THE SAME DWARF INSIDE THE FLASK. HE'S JUST GOTTEN BIGGER, THAT'S ALL.

IN-SIDE HIM...

...ARE TRAPPED THE COUNTLESS SOULS OF CSELKSESS'S CITIZENS THAT ARE CRYING OUT FOR OUR HELP.

BUT YOU SAID THIS GUY'S HOLED UP UNDER THE CITY, RIGHT? HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO GET TO HIM?

ALL RIGHT, IT'S DE-CIDED THEN.

LET'S GO!

IT'S GUARDED BY POWERFUL CHIMERAS, BUT WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO PASS WITH THESE MEMBERS.

THE TUNNEL THAT I TRAVELED THROUGH WITH MAY LED TO THE LAIR OF THIS SO-CALLED FATHER.

REAL-LY?

I KNOW OF ONE EN-TRANCE DOWN THERE.

YES, SOMEONE SHOULD STAY HERE IN CASE MR. FOO COMES BACK.

ALL RIGHT

DR. MARCOH, YOU SHOULD STAY HERE TOO.

HEINKEL, YOU STAY ON GUARD HERE.

FOR EVERY ONE?

I'LL GET HORSES.

NOD NOD NOD

YOKI .. YOU STAY HERE TOO.

WHAT IS IT, BIG BRO-THER?

AL.

..BE CARE-FUL.

WE'RE GONNA GO KICK THE CRAP OUT OF THAT BEARDED GUY WHO LIVES UNDER-GROUND.

TONK

YEAH.

TONK

OKAY.

TOONNG

TAK

WOOO WOOO

ORDER YOUR BRIGGS TROOPS TO STAND DOWN IMMEDIATELY...

...MAJOR GENERAL ARMSTRONG!!

WOOO

WOOO WOOO

YES, HE TOLD ME.

ABOUT WHAT'S BEING SACRIFICED AND WHAT HE'S TRYING TO ACHIEVE?

THIS SO-CALLED FATHER TOLD YOU, DIDN'T HE?

DO YOU REALLY THINK YOU CAN GET AWAY WITH THIS?!!

I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU THE SAME QUESTION.

THE *SACRIFICES* THAT ACCOMPANY THIS TRANSFORMATION CAN'T BE HELPED!!

DON'T YOU SEE? IT'S FOR THE GREATER GOOD!

WE, THE *CHOSEN ONES*, WILL *ASCEND* TO EVEN GREATER HEIGHTS, AND THIS COUNTRY OF AMESTRIS WILL CHANGE THE WORLD!

WHA...?

YOU BASTARDS ARE HOPELESS.

SLICE

SWISH

SHF

BAH!

SCUM LIKE YOU WHO OBSERVE THE BATTLEFIELD FROM A SAFE LOCATION...

SLIP...

GSHH

OW OW OW!!

...TALK ABOUT "SACRIFICE" AS IF IT'S SOMETHING SUBLIME. YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW THE MEANING OF THE WORD!

I'M NOT AS SOFT AS THE "HERO OF ISHBAL."

WAIT...

WHO KNOWS?

BY THE TIME ALL OF THIS IS OVER, I MIGHT BE A HERO. BUT ONE THING'S CERTAIN...

TUG

WILL YOU TURN TRAITOR, ARM-STRONG?!

BLAM

WHAT'S GOING ON IN-?

!!

FWUMP

WOOO

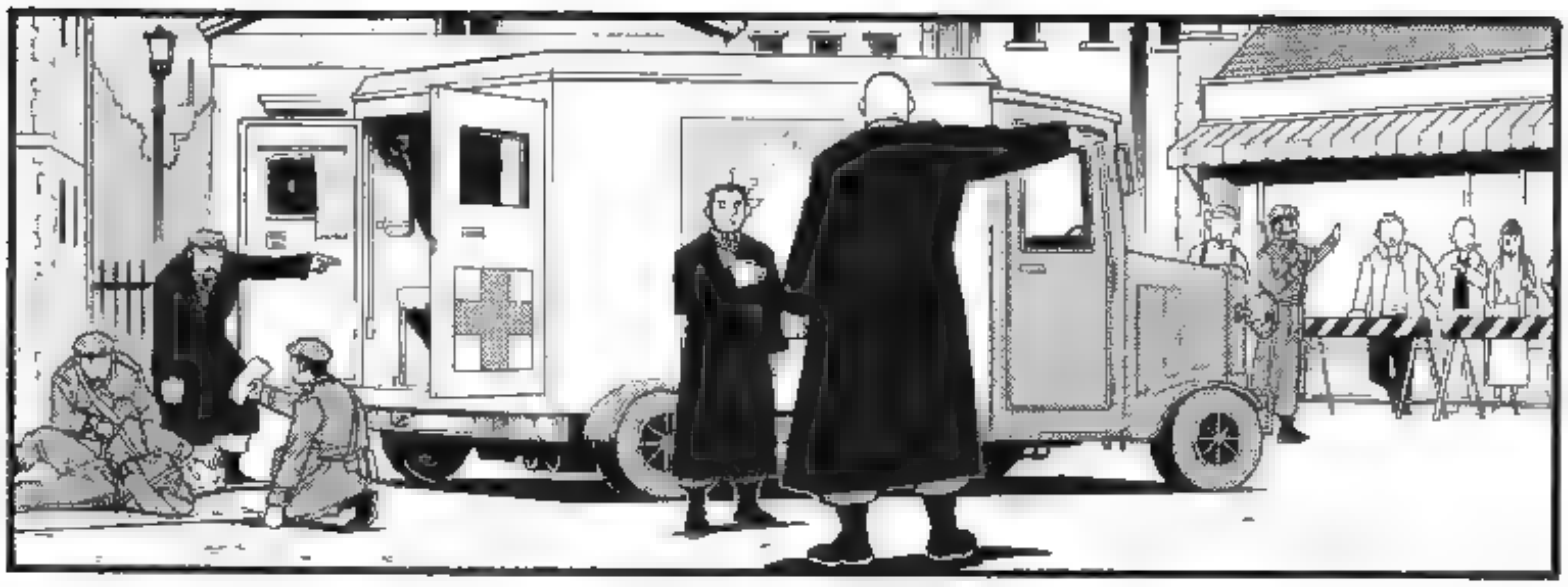
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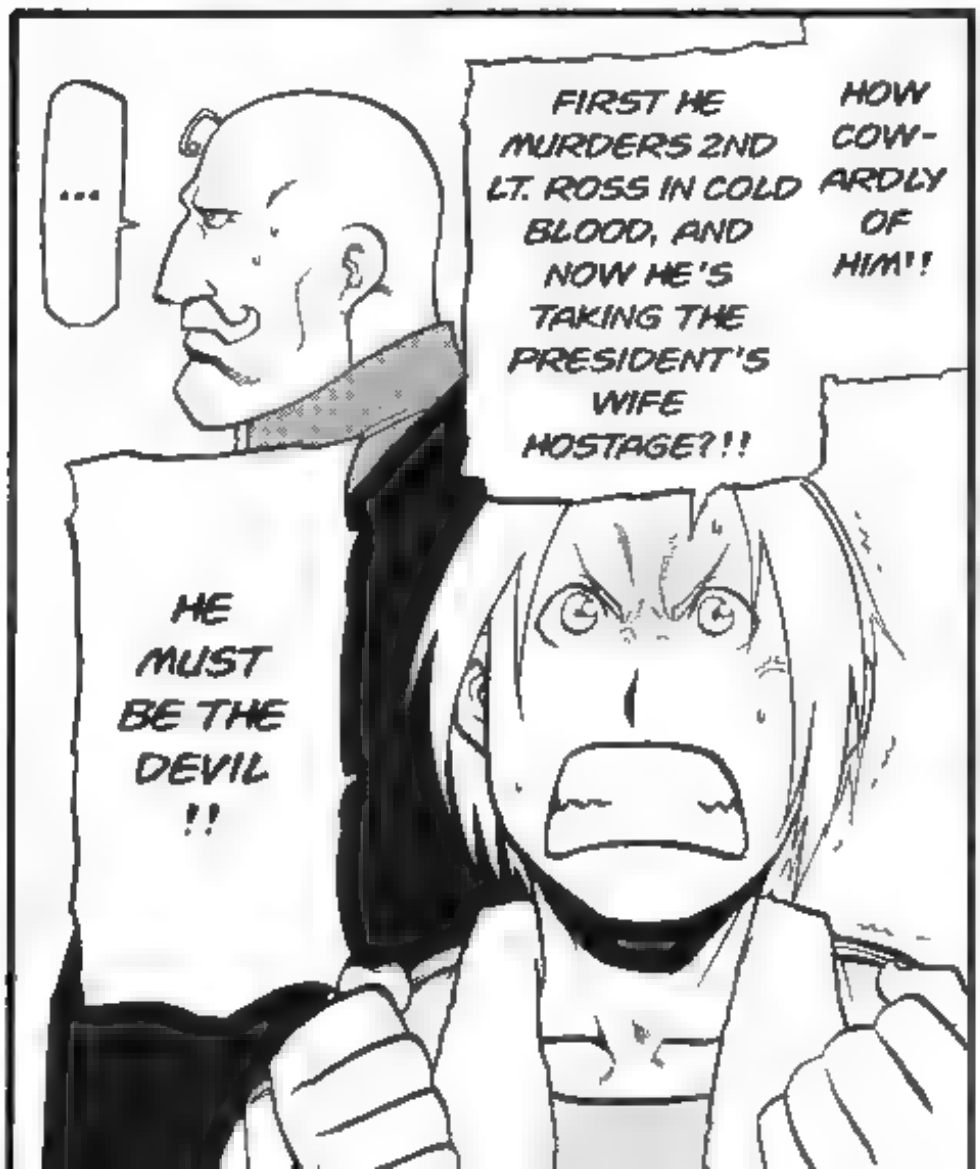
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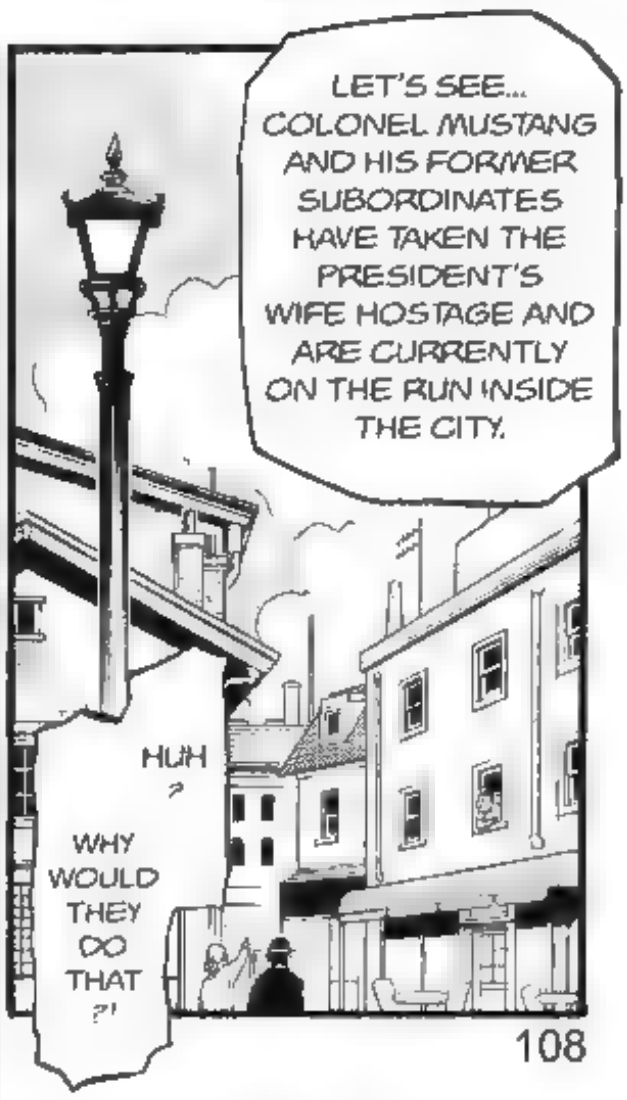
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I SAW THE SMOKE FROM MY HOUSE...
DID SOME-THING HAP PEN, SIR?
ISN'T THIS YOUR DAY OFF?


MAJOR ARM-STRONG !
SER-GEANT BROSCH !


...
FIRST HE MURDERS 2ND LT. ROSS IN COLD BLOOD, AND NOW HE'S TAKING THE PRESIDENT'S WIFE HOSTAGE?!!
HOW COW-ARDLY OF HIM!!
HE MUST BE THE DEVIL !!


LET'S SEE... COLONEL MUSTANG AND HIS FORMER SUBORDINATES HAVE TAKEN THE PRESIDENT'S WIFE HOSTAGE AND ARE CURRENTLY ON THE RUN INSIDE THE CITY.
HUH ?
WHY WOULD THEY ∞ THAT ?!

MEANWHILE, A GROUP OF ELITE SOLDIERS THOUGHT TO BE NORTHERN TROOPS ARE ATTACKING THE CENTRAL CITY ARMY.

APPARENTLY, THEY'RE MOVING THROUGH THE CITY IN AN ARMORED VEHICLE THAT'S DISGUISED AS AN ICE CREAM TRUCK.

MY OLDER SISTER?!

MAJOR GENERAL ARMSTRONG IS INSIDE THE MILITARY HIGH COMMAND CONFERENCE ROOM, AND...

MA-JOR!

HMM... THINGS ARE HAPPENING QUICKER THAN I HAD ANTICIPATED.

I NEED TO HURRY AND FIND THE PRINCE.

WHAT COULD GREED BE PLANNING...?


GWOOM
GWOOM
GWOOM


I CAN'T TRACK GREED BY HIS PRESENCE BECAUSE IT'S BEING OVERSHADOWED BY THE MASSIVE PRESENCE THAT'S LURKING BENEATH THE CITY.


I WONDER..
GWOOM
GWOOM
GWOOM


THE PRESENCE UNDERGROUND SEEMS TO HAVE GROWN MUCH LARGER THAN IT WAS JUST A DAY AGO...
GWOOM
GWOOM

GNOOM
GNOOM
GNOOM
SNORE
SNORE
GNOOM
GNOOM
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SQUEE
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RUF
RUF
RUFF
RUFF

GNOOM

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GNOOM

TOONG

GNOOM

GNOOM

THE MILITARY IS USING THIS AREA AS A RALLYING POINT. THERE'S NO WAY WE CAN EVEN GET CLOSE.

IT'S NO USE.

"

!

HMM

IT WON'T BE EASY TO FORCE OUR WAY THROUGH.

DAMN IT..

AL AND THE COLONEL ONCE SNUCK IN THROUGH THERE TO FIGHT LUST!

LABO-RATORY NUMBER THREE !!

I KNOW! THERE'S ANOTHER ENTRANCE THAT GOES *UNDER-GROUND!*

THREE GUARDS AT THE EN-TRANCE...

DASH!

I'M EDWARD ELRIC, THE STATE ALCHE-MIST !!

HELP ME, MR. SOL-DIER !!

WAIT, NOW'S THE TIME FOR ME TO MAKE USE OF MY TITLE.

HERE I GO

KRIK KRAK

ALL RIGHT, LET'S DO THIS.

SCAR IS CHASING ME! HELP !!

HUH ? WHA ?

A STATE ALCHE-MIST ?!

FREEZE !!

THERE'S THE WANTED FUGITIVE !!

HEY !!

WHAT ?

WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO BE POLITE.

THAT WASN'T VERY NICE.

WHAM POW BAM

HERE IT IS!

SKICH

I KNOW IT'S AROUND HERE SOME-WHERE..

ALL RIGHT, COMING THROUGH!

BIZASH

STRIDE STRIDE STRIDE

SHOULD WE SPLIT UP INTO TWO GROUPS?

YEAH.

I'LL GO THIS WAY. EDWARD AND SCAR GO THAT WAY.

ALL RIGHT

WHAA?!

WHY DO I HAVE TO GO WITH ***HIM*** ?!!

BECAUSE DIVIDING THE GROUPS BY THEIR SKILL IN ALCHEMY MAKES THE MOST SENSE.

SQUEE

KLANK

KLAK

KLAK

KREEAK

MY ALCHEMY IS ***SPECIAL*** SO I'LL BE FINE ON MY OWN.

BUT..

URK !

PLUS WHEN ***THE ENEMY*** USED HIS POWER TO BLOCK YOUR ALCHEMY, YOU WERE TOTALLY HELPLESS, BUT SCAR WAS STILL ABLE TO USE HIS, RIGHT?

THEN IT'S SETTLED. THESE TWO ARE IN THE SAME GROUP.

THE YOUNG LADY FROM XING SEEMS LIKE A GOOD CHOICE.

I COULD USE A *BODY-GUARD.*

DON'T WORRY, WE'LL BE FINE.

WILL YOU REALLY BE ALL RIGHT WITH ONLY TWO OF YOU?

AYE, AYE.

IF ANY OF US RUNS INTO THE ENEMY, LET'S PLAN ON GOING ALL OUT TO DESTROY HIM.

GRIT GRIT GRIT

OLD GUYS LIKE ME PREFER BEING WITH YOUNG WOMEN. ♡

KLAK KLAK KLAK KLAK

C'MON, LET'S GO.

THE OLD LETCH.

GRIT GRIT GRIT

YOU HAVE TO SEARCH FOR THE PRINCE OF XING, RIGHT?

THEN GO.

TAT

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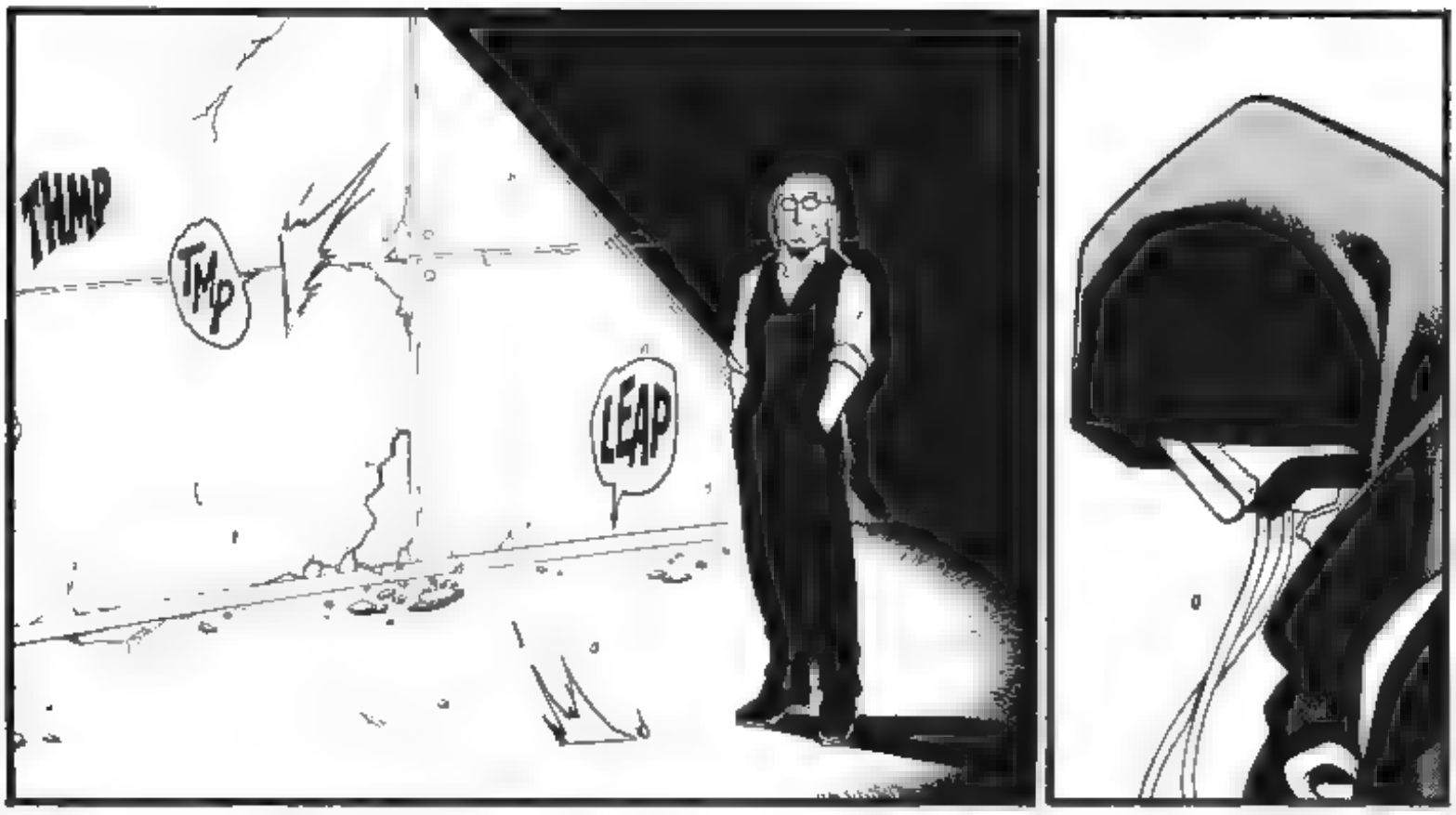
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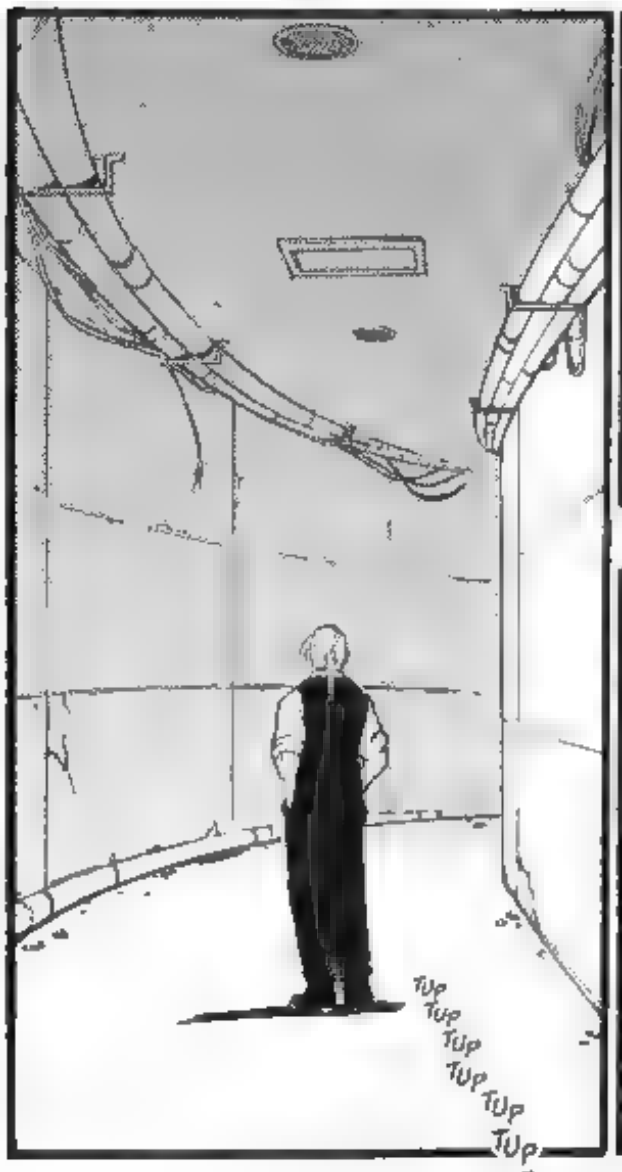
HE'S IM-POR-TANT TO YOU, ISN'T HE?

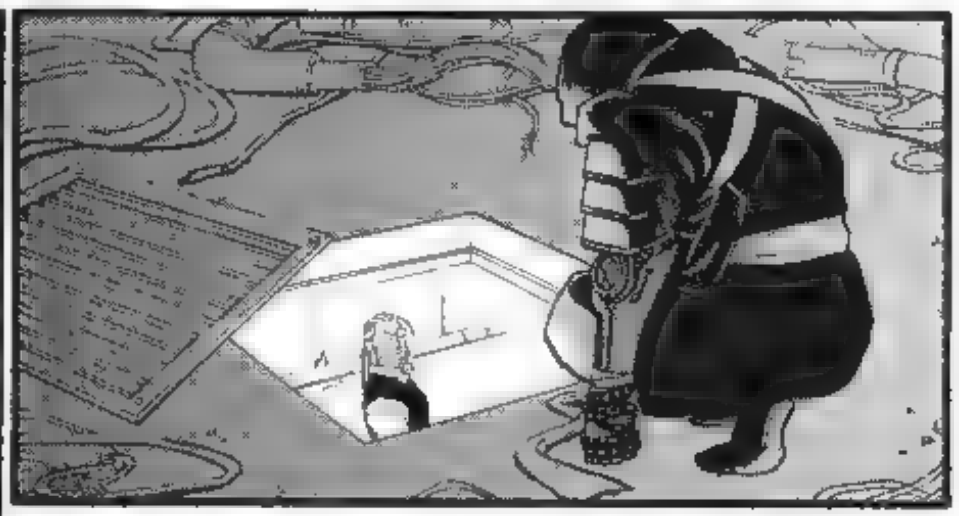
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ER.. UH...

DON'T WORRY ABOUT US.


THUMP
TMP
LEAP


TUP
TUP
TUP
TUP
TUP
TUP
TUP
TUP




THANK YOU...
...VERY MUCH.



PLEASE WAIT, SIR!

GNOOM GNOOM GNOOM

SOMEBODY HAS TO TAKE CARE OF THOSE TRAITORS! I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO DO IT MYSELF!

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 CLEAR 0

TAP TAP TAP

CHAK CHAK

IF WE DON'T USE IT NOW, THEN WHEN WILL WE USE IT?

KLANK

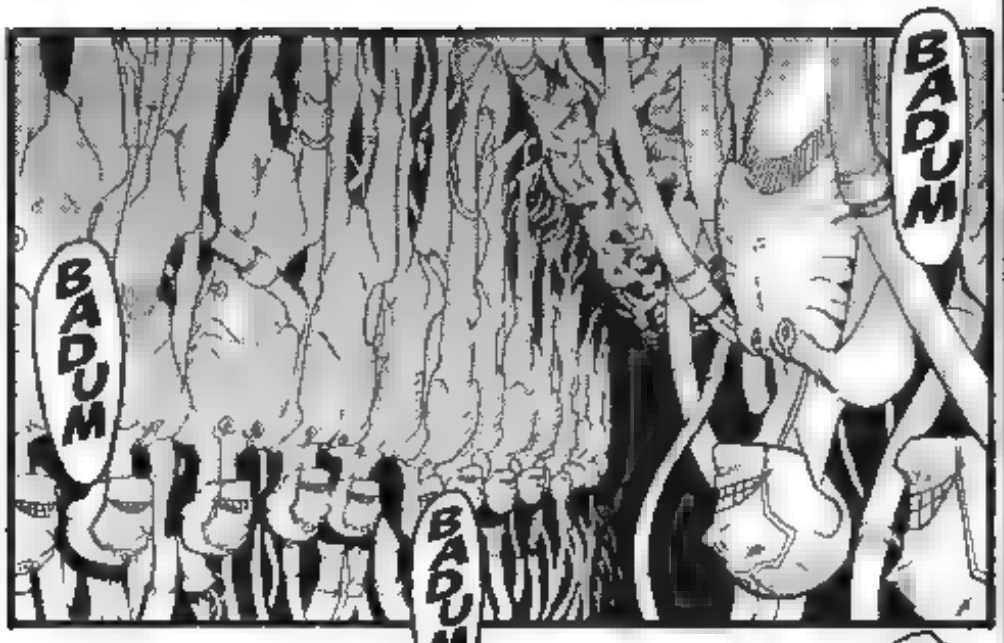
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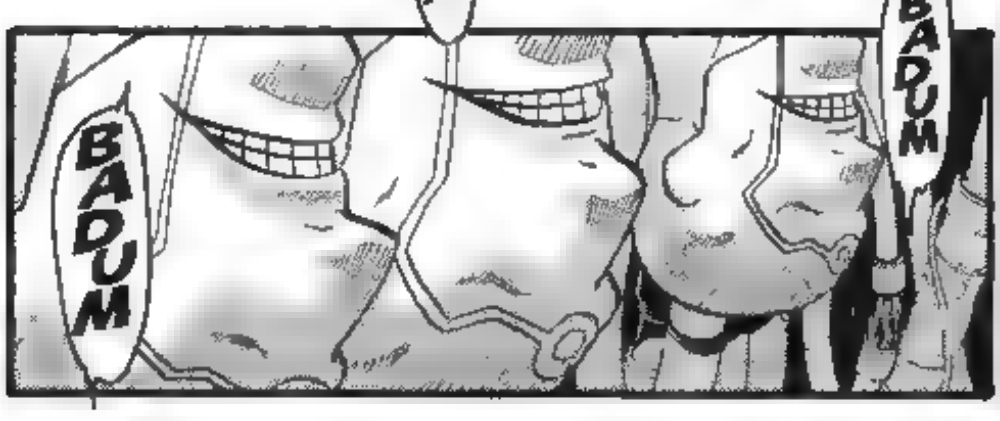
WE STILL HAVEN'T FINISHED THE TESTS FOR ATTACHING SOULS TO MULTIPLE BODIES...

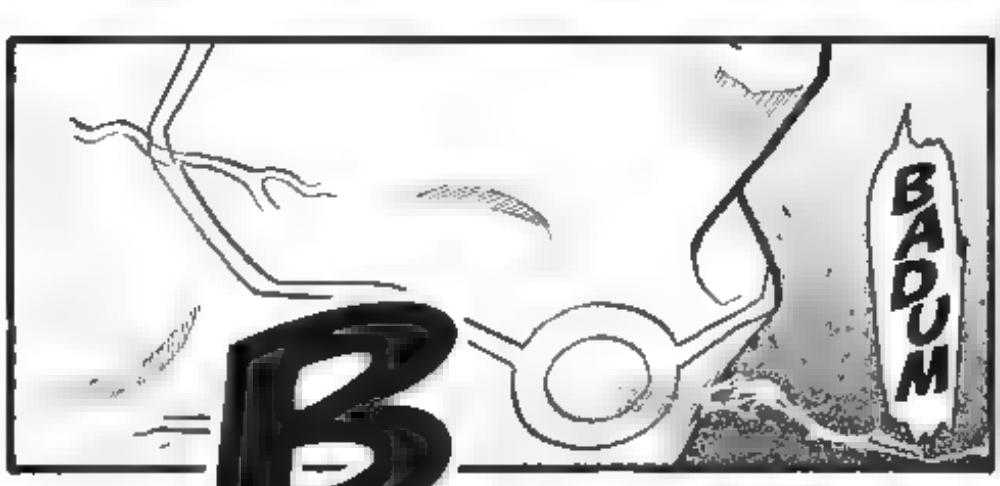
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THESE PHILOS-OPHER'S STONES WERE MADE TO BE USED IN EXACTLY THIS KIND OF SITUA-TION!!

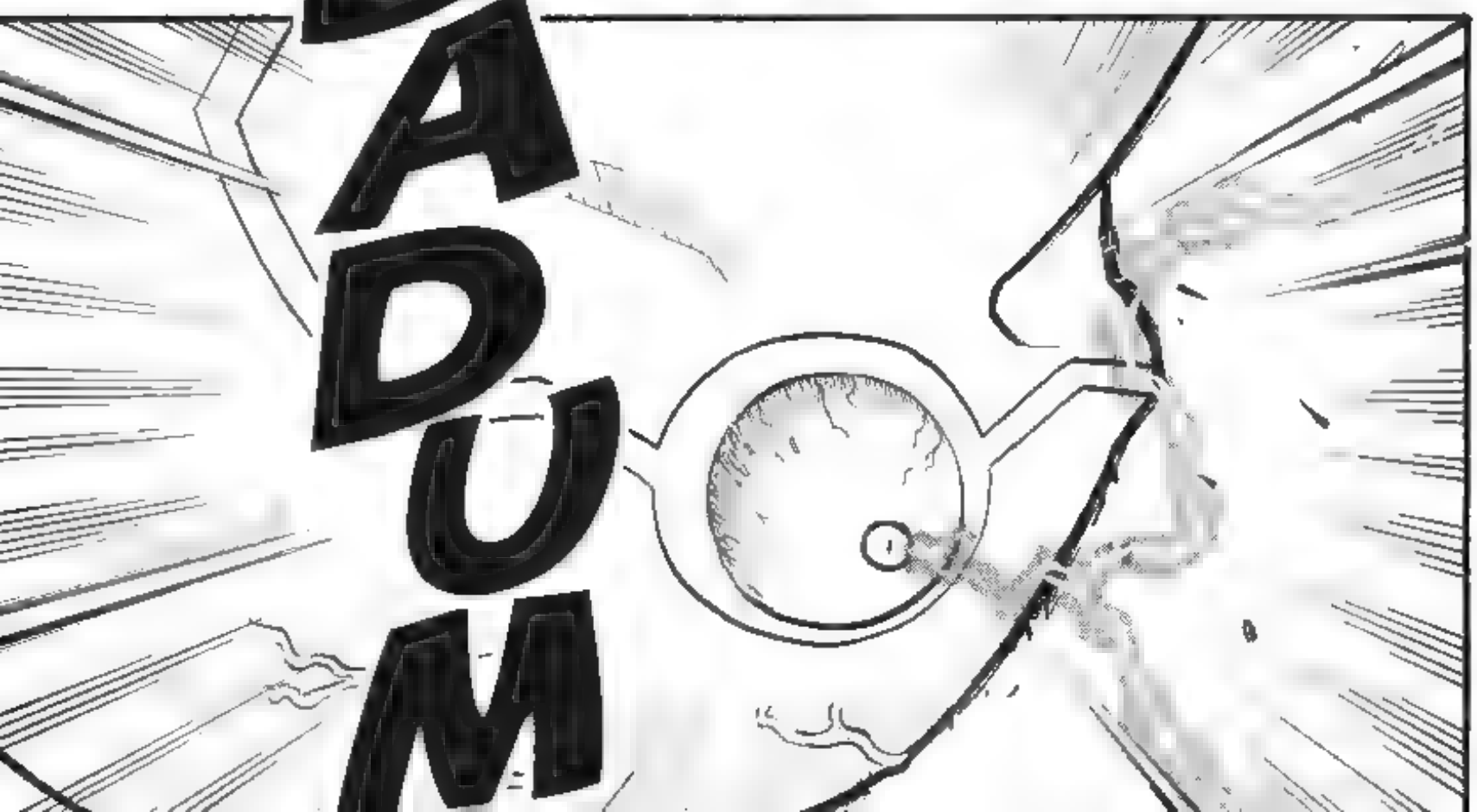
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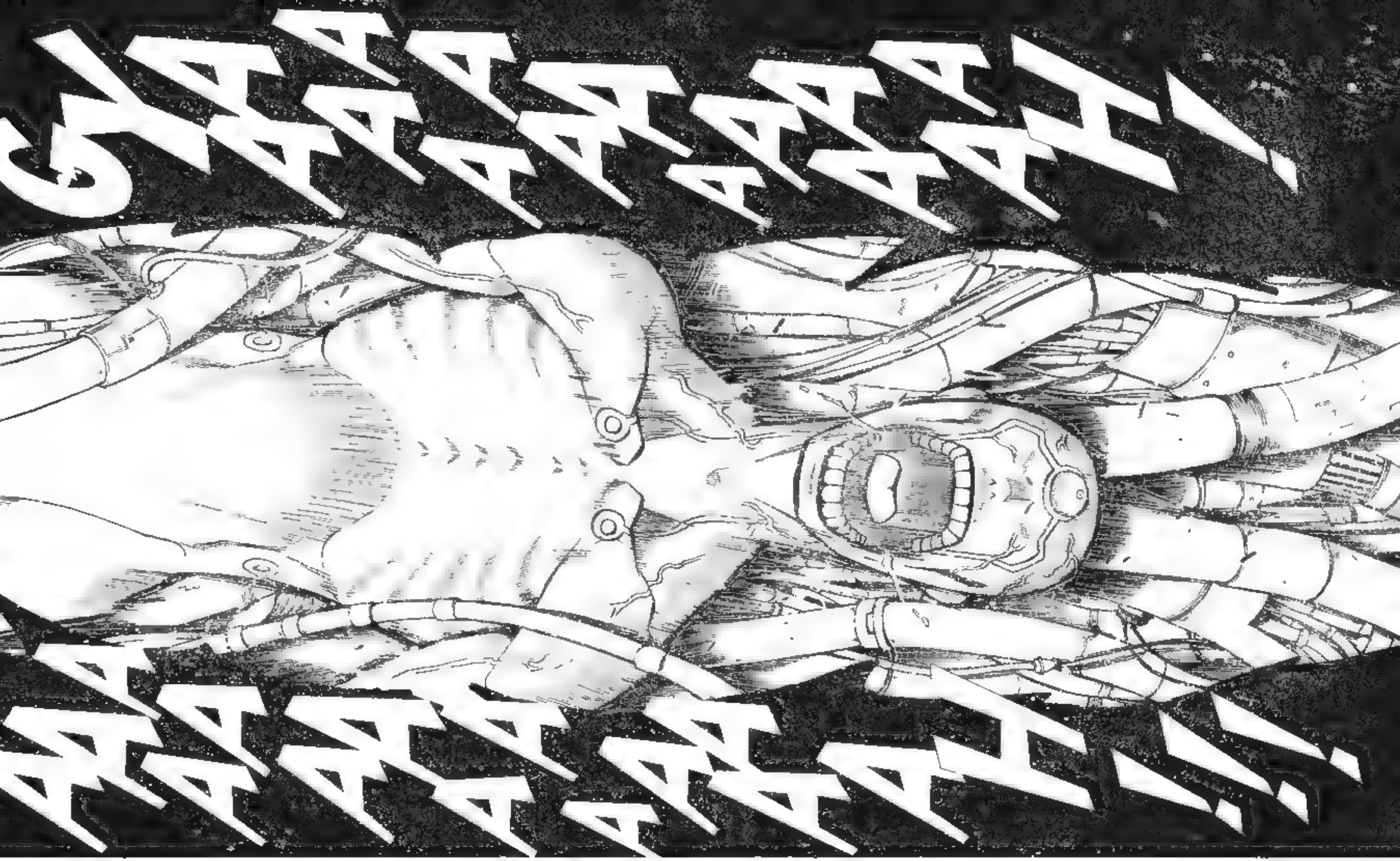

BADUM
BADUM
BADUM


BADUM
BADUM


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GAAA

PLUK

PLOK

PLUK

WUMP

IT HURTS!

MAMA

PAPA

DADDY

HELP ME

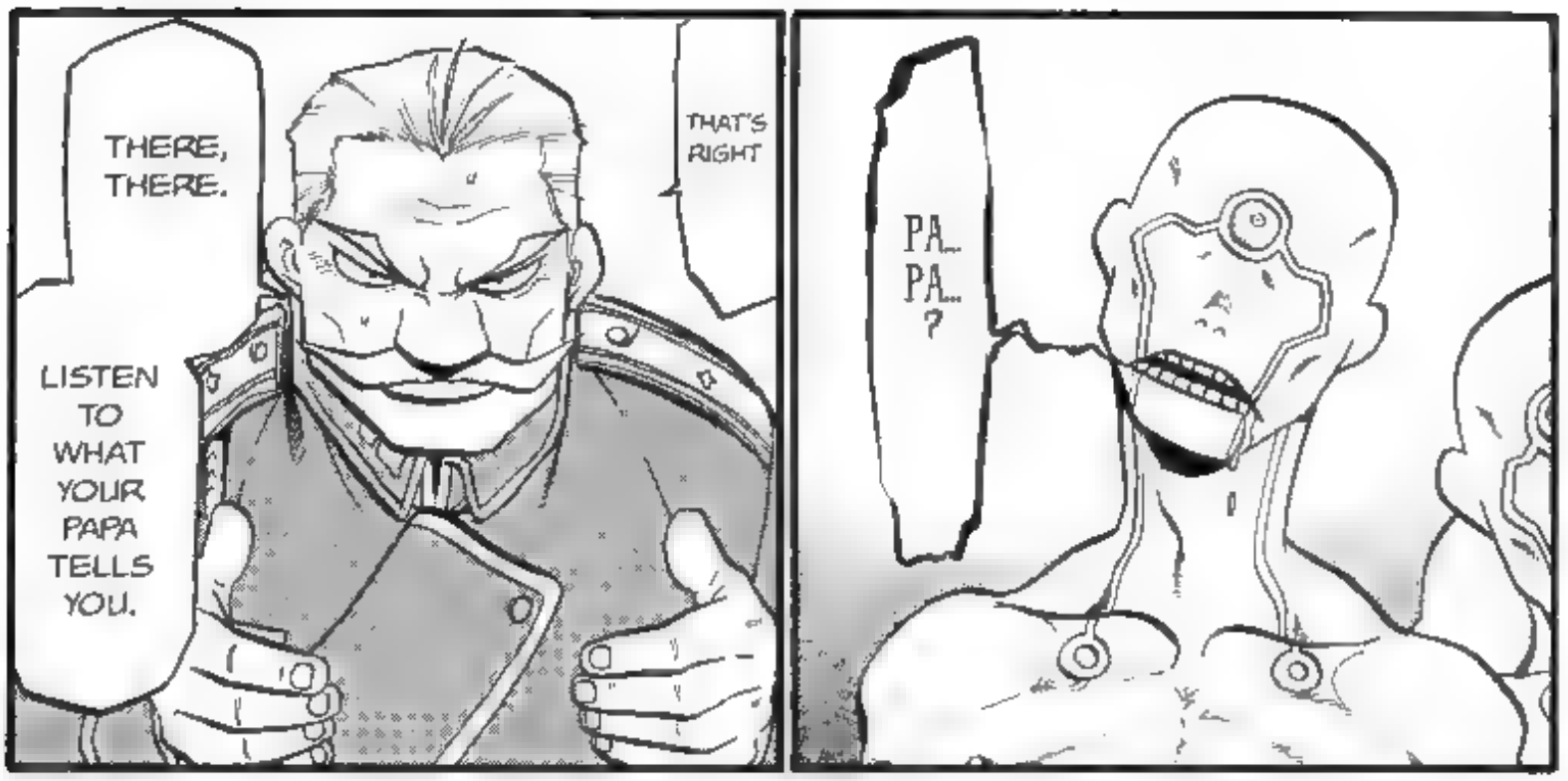
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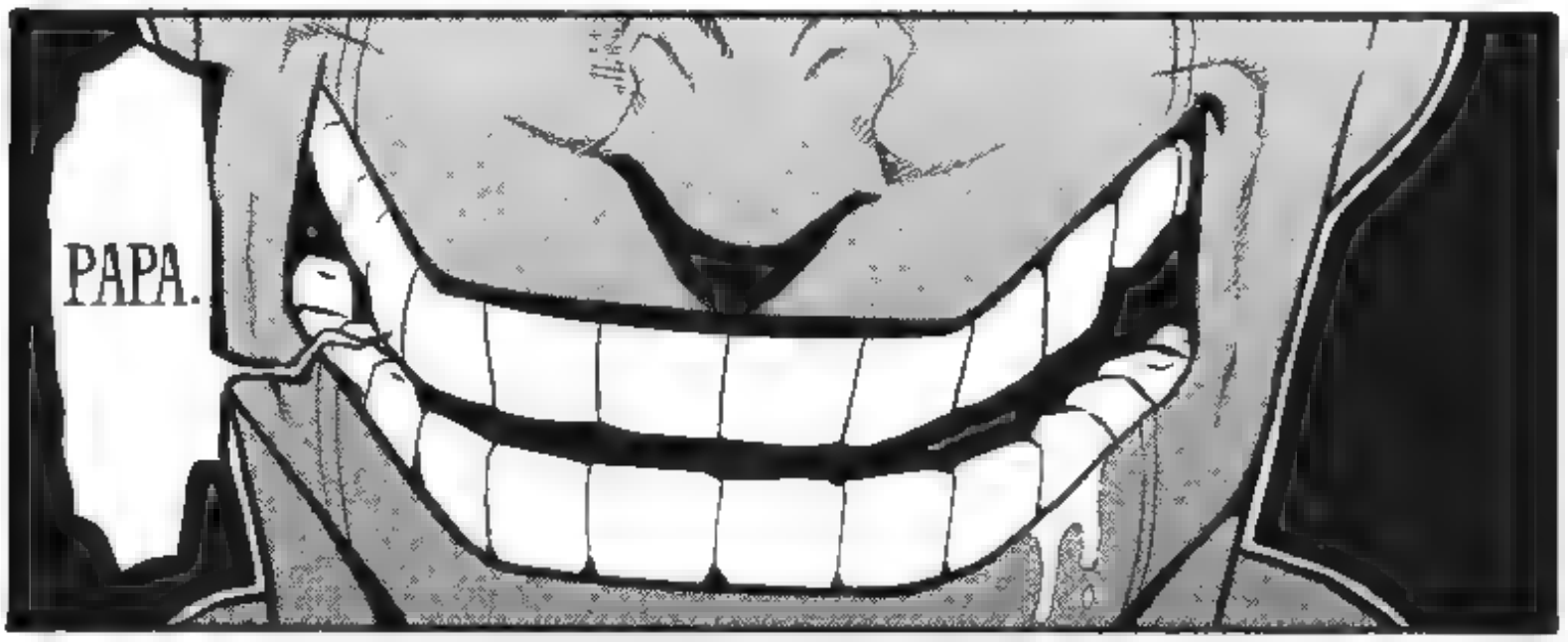
AAAAAGH!

WAAAAAAH!

YES... YES! VERY GOOD!

THAT'S RIGHT, I'M YOUR FATHER.


THERE, THERE.
LISTEN TO WHAT YOUR PAPA TELLS YOU.
THAT'S RIGHT
PA... PA...?


PAPA.


CHOMP

HUH ?

AAAAAAAAAAA

CRNCH CRNCH

SHIRP SHIRP

SHIRP SHIRP

CRUNCH

BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
WAAAAH!
...
ER.
UH...
ARR-
GH.
IT HURTS
IT
HURTS

I'M GETTING A BAD FEELING.

IT'S A HUGE... DOOR?

WHO'S THIS?

AIEEEEEE!

SO THIS IS WHERE HE WAS KILLED...

IT'S BARRY THE CHOPPER...

...WHICH MEANS THERE'S PROBABLY SOMETHING BEHIND THIS THING.

OH
!

KREEE...

WE'RE..

BUT HOW DO I...

..OPEN IT?

SKRICH

IT LOOKS LIKE A DOOR.

...IN
?

GYAAA A'AAAAAH!!

BA M

OOMAAAAA!!

GRIK
KRAK
GOH

GOOOOOOOOH!

YAAAAAAAAH!

OWAAAAAH!

I NEVER THOUGHT THAT WAITING AROUND COULD BE SO FRUS-TRATING.

I HATE NOT BEING THERE FIGHTING ALONGSIDE THEM.

MUTTER MUTTER

I WONDER IF THOSE GUYS ARE DOING ALL RIGHT?

TONNG TAK TAK TONNG

THAT BANGING SOUND'S BEEN GETTING ON MY NERVES SINCE YESTER-DAY!

TAK TONNG TONNG TAK

SELIM'S PLAYING WITH MY HEAD.

TAK TONNG

TAK TONNG TONNG

HEY, AL-PHONSE!

WHAT'S THAT SOUND?!

TONNG TONNG TONNG

TAK TAK TAK

TAK TONNG TONNG TONNG

HUMPH.

HE'S A MONSTER ON THE INSIDE, BUT I GUESS IN THE END HE'S JUST A KID...

HUH ?

STOP HIM, ALPHONSE !!

!!

IT'S MORSE CODE !!

HE'S SENDING A CODED MESSAGE !!!

STOP HIM FROM MAKING THAT SOUND !!

HE'S TELLING THEM OUR LOCA...

KA

BOM

KLATTA ?!

KLATTA

KLATTA

KLATTA

KLATTA

KLATTA

THANK YOU FOR COMING TO PICK ME UP, KIMBLEE.

HEL-LO.

ZWOO

HA HA HA. FOR-GIVE ME.

YOU KNOW, I DO HAVE PLACES TO BE.

I WON'T LET MY GUARD DOWN AGAIN.



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WUZA
WUZA
WUZA
WHAT ARE SOLDIERS DOING IN A PLACE LIKE THIS?
ARE THEY HERE TO ISSUE AN EVACUATION ORDER?
WE CAN'T LET THEM FIND OUT THAT YOU'RE DR. MARCOH !!
BUT I CAN'T JUST SIT BY AND WATCH...
WUZA
WUZA
WUZA
WE HAVE NOWHERE ELSE TO GO...
I HOPE NOT.
W...
WAIT, DOCTOR !!
OH NO... ALPHONSE IS IN DANGER !

...

DON'T BE STUPID! IF YOU GET TAKEN HOSTAGE, YOU WON'T BE HELPING ALPHONSE AND THE OTHERS!

RRGH.

LET'S JUST STAY PUT FOR NOW!

OKAY?!

I HEARD THAT GLUTTONY WAS WITH YOU. WHERE DID HE GO?

ARE YOU BY YOURSELF?

OH, I ATE HIM.

IS THAT SO?

WE JUST WENT BACK TO BEING ONE, THAT'S ALL.

BOTH OF US WERE BORN FROM THE SAME FATHER.

YOUR ALLY?

?

YOU *ATE* HIM?

HE WAS NO ALLY. WE'RE ONE AND THE SAME.

TOSS

GGG...

GEHOFF...

RRR...

MR. HEIN-KEL!!

MR. HEIN-KEL...

GRAB

YOU CHIMERA SURE ARE FULL OF VITALITY.

FEH! STILL ALIVE ?

71

SQUEE

WHY, YOU ...

ZWOO

I WON'T LET YOU GET AWAY.

TCH...

ZU ZU ZU ZU ZU ZU

BOOM

CLAP

YOU DON'T KNOW WHEN TO QUIT.

ZUZWU

WOOSH

HMM...

KLANK

TONK

"

GO... SAVE YOUR-SELF..

DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME..

SHF KLANK

AT THIS RATE, WE'LL *BOTH* BE DEAD.

DON'T BE NAIVE.

KLANK

SHF

NO "

KLANK

KLANK KLANK KLANK

SHRF

SHRF

I SAID NO!

IF YOU LEAVE ME BEHIND, AT LEAST YOU MIGHT SURVIVE.

WE'RE UP AGAINST KIMBLEE AND PRIDE.

LEAVE ME BEHIND..

KOFF

YOU GOTTA FACE REALITY, YOU FOOL..

KLANK

KLANK

SRF

DON'T WORRY ABOUT ANYTHING ELSE--JUST THINK ABOUT SURVIVING !!

AGH!!

KA KLUNK

SN

AP

I'LL HELP YOU ESCAPE *NO MATTER WHAT*--

DON'T GIVE UP!!

SKRICH

DAMMIT!! WHY WON'T THESE LEGS MOVE?!

WE CAN'T AFFORD TO BE BEATEN YET!!

SHF SHF

TONK TONK TONK

JEEZ... YOU BROTH-ERS...

WHY ARE YOU TWO ALWAYS TRYING TO HELP PEOPLE WHEN YOUR OWN BODIES ARE FALLING APART?

KOFF

DON'T GIVE UP!!

KLANK

HANG ON, MR. HEINKEL !!

SHF SHF

SHRF

THANKS TO HIM, I JUST REMEM-BERED SOMETHING THAT MIGHT SHIFT THE ODDS.

KIMBLEE ALWAYS USED TO SAY THAT THE LAST ONE STANDING IS THE WINNER.

THAT'S RIGHT...

I FOUND IT IN THE NORTHERN MINES WHEN KIMBLEE ABANDONED US.

GIVE 'EM HELL...

...AL-PHONSE!

WHAT AN AN-NOYING DUST CLOUD.

MAYBE I SHOULD BLOW IT AWAY WITH AN EXPLO-SION.

KOFF

POOF POOF

THEY WON'T ESCAPE VERY FAR ON THOSE LEGS.

SNIFF

NO. THOSE TWO ARE STILL INSIDE THE DUST CLOUD.

BLAST ASH

?!!

RISE!!

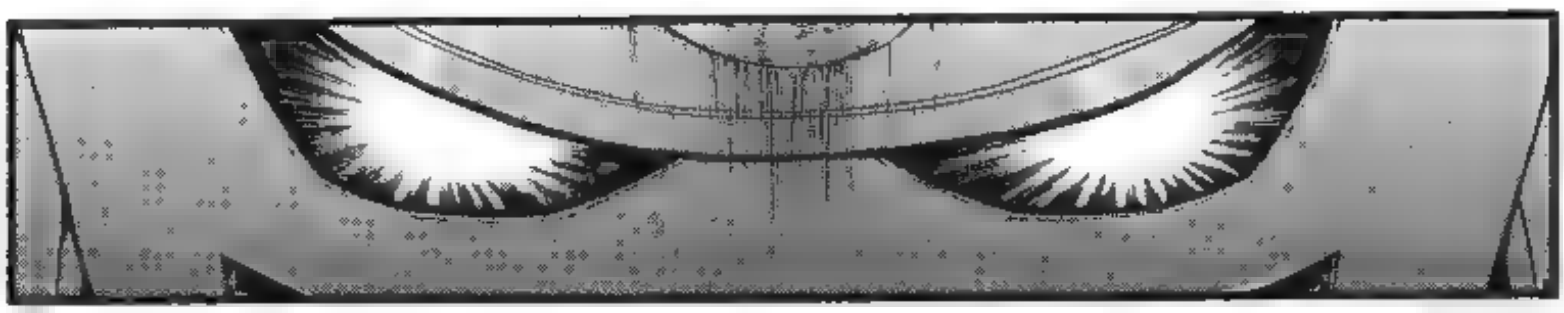
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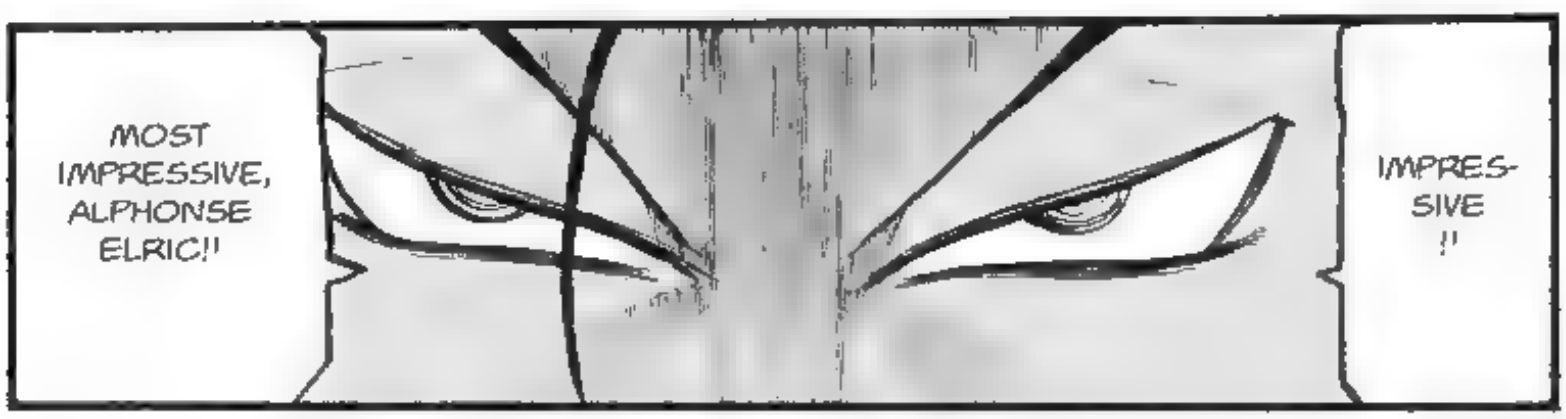
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WELL, WELL.

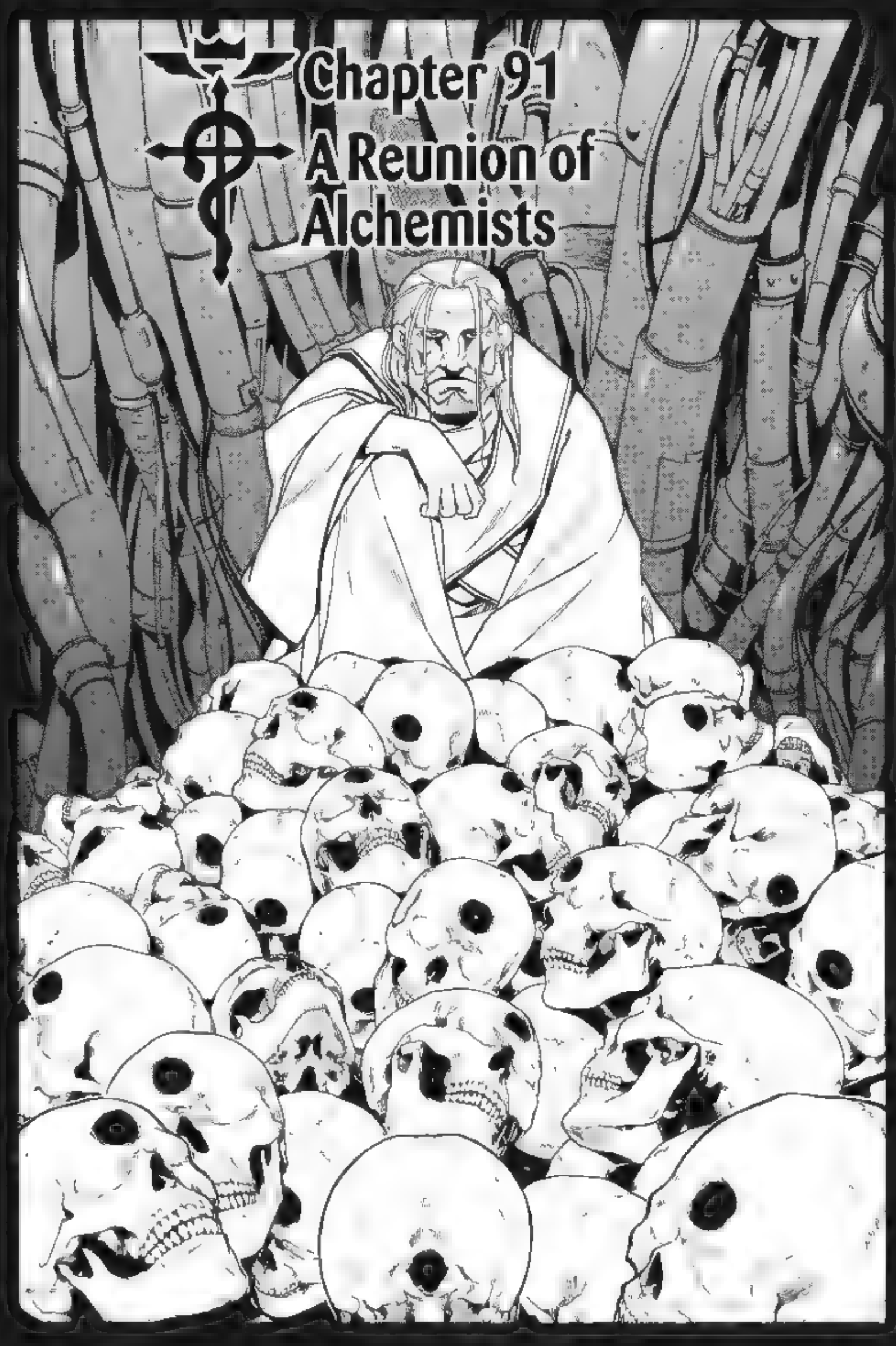
HE'S NOT TRYING TO ESCAPE AT ALL!






MOST IMPRESSIVE, ALPHONSE ELRIC!!
IMPRES-SIVE !!

Chapter 91
A Reunion of Alchemists



NO...

TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP

NOOOO!!!

THE WAY TO IMMORTALITY IS JUST A LITTLE...

..FURTHER...

BONK

BONK

OUCH!!

I SWEAR...

...I DIDN'T...

...LIE!

Y-YOU TRICKED ME, ENVY!!

TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP

SWI SH

SPIN

AAAAAAAH!!

YOU LITTLE BRAT !!

SPIN

SPIN

SWF

SWF

SWF

HUP

HUP

SWF

SWF

SWF

SWF

SWF

SWF

SWF

SWF

YAAH!!

SHF.

-YOU !!

RRGH !!

BAM

BAM BAM

WHY-

OH...

I...

POP

I'M FREEEE!!

GLOMP

EEEEEEEEK!!

CURSES! THERE GOES MY ONLY CLUE TO IMMORTALITY!

SLUMP

GROP!!

CHOMP

?!

AAAAAAGGGGHH

GLOM

GLUK

GLORP

GLORP

GLOMP

GLORP GLORP

SKLÜRK

GWOOK

GLUK

GLOP

BLURK

AAAH!

AIEEE!

WAAAAH!

SHLURK

MISHI
AGH...
MEKI
MOGI
MUKI
MEKI
I'M BAAACK!!
MEKI
MUKI MOGI
MISHI

TMP

WOBBLE

THANKS FOR BRINGING ME ALL THE WAY HERE, LITTLE GIRL.

COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITH-OUT YA! ♡

TMP
TMP
TMP
TMP
WUZA
WUZA
WUZA
WUZA
WUZA
WUZA
TMP
TMP
TMP
TMP
TMP
RR..
GH..
POK
ORDER THEM TO WITHDRAW ALL CENTRAL CITY TROOPS THAT ARE FIGHTING MUSTANG AND THE BRIGGS SOLDIERS.

CHAK

IF YOU'RE GOING TO SHOOT, SHOOT.

CHAK

YEOOW!!

I DON'T THINK YOUR SUBORDINATES ARE TAKING ME SERIOUSLY.

SHUNK

...

WELL?

IF YOU DON'T WITHDRAW YOUR MEN, THE BRIGGS TROOPS WON'T HESITATE TO KEEP FIGHTING.

...RRGH!

CLOSE THE NORTHERN, SOUTHERN, EASTERN AND WESTERN GATES OF THE CENTRAL CITY HEAD-QUARTERS!! CLOSE ALL THE GATES!!

HMM..

YOU'RE ROTTEN, BUT IT SEEMS YOU'RE NOT TOTALLY SPINELESS AFTER ALL.

DON'T LET A SINGLE ONE OF THE BRIGGS TROOPS NOR MUSTANG'S MEN INSIDE!!

!

OH !!

I'LL SQUASH ALL OF YOU BRIGGS MONKEYS! I'LL—

YOU ARROGANT WENCH!!

SMOOT





HE TOLD ME... ..TO KILL YOU

DON'T.. ..RE-SIST

TOO MUCH WORK

THAT ONE...

WHOA.

OH...

HAH!

ANOTHER POSITION ABOVE ME HAS OPENED UP!

TOO MUCH WORK.

...

SWISH

I APPRECIATE YOUR HELP, HOMUNCULUS !!

THANKS TO YOU, I DIDN'T HAVE TO SOIL THIS ARMSTRONG FAMILY SWORD, WHICH HAS BEEN PASSED DOWN FOR GENERATIONS, WITH THE BLOOD OF SCUM!!

AAA

WH

THW

THERE'S NO END TO THEM!!

PCK

UH!

WHOA!

BZ

AP

GLARE

KRACK

?!

SNAP

SWIP...

SPLK

RIP

RG!

DANGLE

GE!

SPUTTER SPUTTER

OWWH! UWWGH!

OOHH...

AND WHY WON'T THEY DIE?!

THOK

SMAK

WHAT THE HECK ARE THESE CREEPY THINGS ?!!

THEY'VE ATTACHED ***PEOPLE'S SOULS*** ONTO THESE DOLLS!!

THESE THINGS...

BAM

YOU MEAN, LIKE AL-PHONSE ?!

THEN HOW DO WE KILL THEM ?!!

OUCH !

CHOMP

THWACK

PEH!

STOP !!

MY THICK NECK SAVED ME...

!

SMEK SMEK

CLAP

I'M ON IT!!

ED!

BZZASH

...THERE'S NOWHERE LEFT FOR THEM TO RUN!

AND NOW...

MEKI

OMPH!

IF YOU HADN'T DONE IT, WE WOULD'VE DESTROYED THE EXIT OUR-SELVES.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.

SORRY. I BLOCKED OFF THE EXIT.

FOR SOME REASON IT MAKES ME MAD WHEN YOU'RE AGREEING WITH US...

EXACTLY. WE CAN'T RISK LETTING THESE GET OUTSIDE.

GUOOOOO...

DROOL DROOL DROOL

...

HOW COULD THEY MAKE SUCH THINGS ?

WAAH WAAH

I'M HUNGRY.

IT HURTS

MAMA...

AAAAH!

OHHH...

LURCH

LURCH

LURCH

LURCH

IN ANY CASE, WE NEED TO GET PAST THEM IF WE'RE GONNA KICK THE CRAP OUT OF THE BEARDED GUY.

IT AIN'T GONNA BE EASY !!

GWOON GWOON

KLAAK KLAAK

KLAAK KLAAK KLAAK

KLAAK KLAAK

GWOON GWOON GWOON

KLANK

I WAS SURE YOU'D BRING THE BROTHERS TOO.

YOU CAME ALONE?

...DWARF IN THE FLASK?

RIGHT...

HUP

I DON'T NEED THAT MANY PEOPLE JUST TO SCOLD ONE LITTLE TROUBLE-MAKING BRAT LIKE YOU.

SLAVE TWENTY-THREE, YOU ONCE GAVE ME A PART OF YOURSELF.

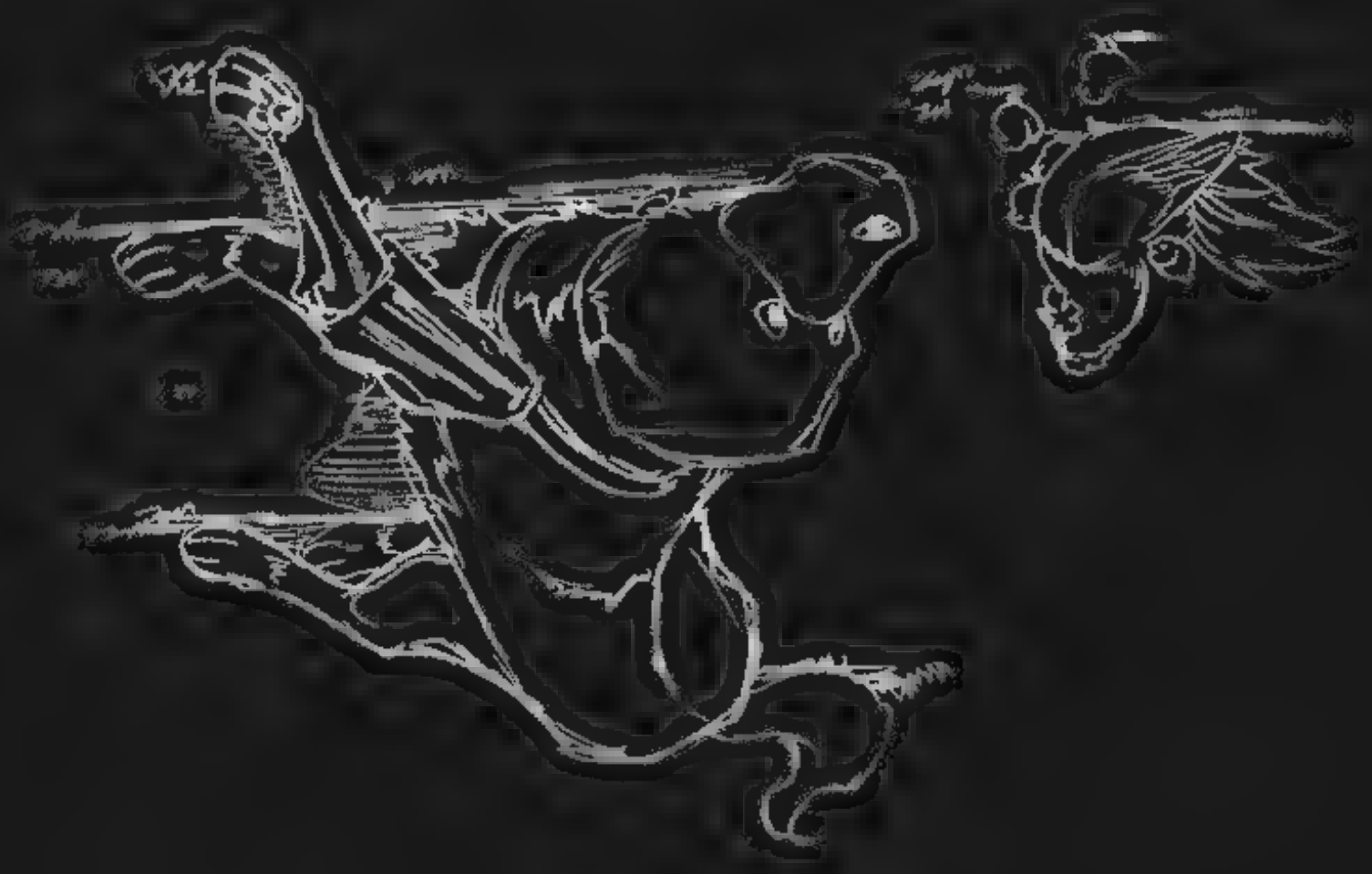
SNAP

THIS TIME, YOU WILL BECOME A PART OF ME.

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From Chapter 91


DON'T GIVE UP!!
DRAG DRAG
HANG ON, MR. HEINKEL !!
WHY DO YOU INSIST ON HELPING ME WHEN YOUR OWN BODY IS FALLING APART?
OH, REAL LY ?
BE- CAUSE YOU'RE A CAT !!!

† Homo Sapiens Felinus

FORTUNES









ROACH MOTEL









FULLMETAL SCIENCE KIDS!

NO WAY.

AL GOT MORE THAN I DID !!

HEY !!

TODAY YOU CAN HAVE SOME JUICE FOR SNACK TIME.

DON'T SPILL IT...

BIG BROTHER, YOU'RE SHORT. THAT'S WHY YOUR LINE OF SIGHT'S WRONG!

YOUR LINE OF SIGHT HAS TO BE EQUAL WITH THE SURFACE OF THE WATER!

I AM LOOKING AT IT THE RIGHT WAY, STUPID!!

...SEE? AL, YOU GOT 1.3 MILLI LITERS MORE THAN ME!!

YES WAY!! GO GET THE GRADUATED CYLINDERS FROM HOHENHEIM'S ROOM!!

GYA!

THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE!! THE RATE OF CUBICAL EXPANSION IS 0.0002! TO EACH ONE DEGREE CELSIUS INCREASE!!

IT COULDN'T HAVE INCREASED THAT MUCH!

RAR!

IT...IT'S CUBICAL EXPANSION!! MY SEAT IS IN THE SUNLIGHT, SO THE TEMPERATURE OF THE JUICE INCREASED AND CAUSED THE VOLUME TO INCREASE TOO!!

GAH!

SMART KIDS CAN BE SUCH A PAIN...

THEN, BIG BROTHER, YOUR JUICE MUST'VE EVAPORATED AND..

NU UH, IT'S-

NO WAY, IT'S-

THE DANGERS OF OVEREATING

GOBBLE!

WAAH!

MUNCH MUNCH

HEH HEH HEH... I'VE ACQUIRED GLUTTONY'S ABILITIES.

MUNCH

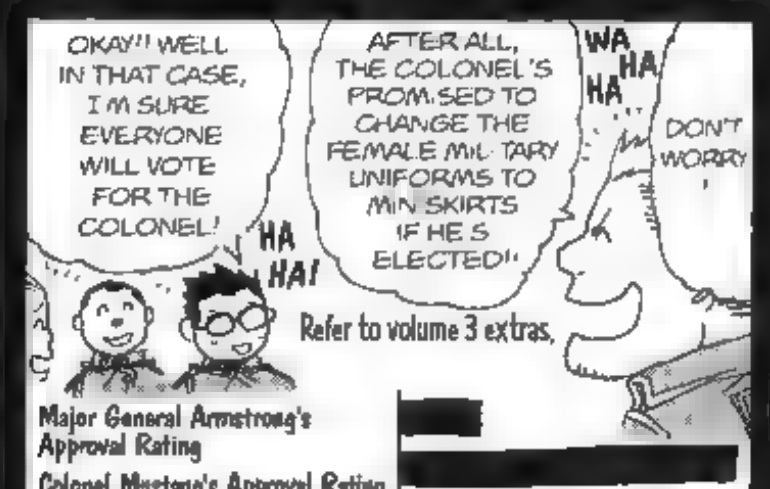
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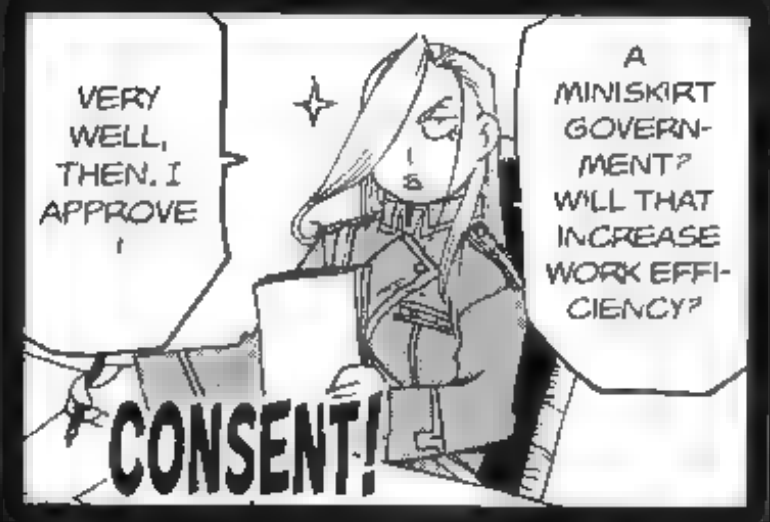
NOW I HAVE THE ADVANTAGE..

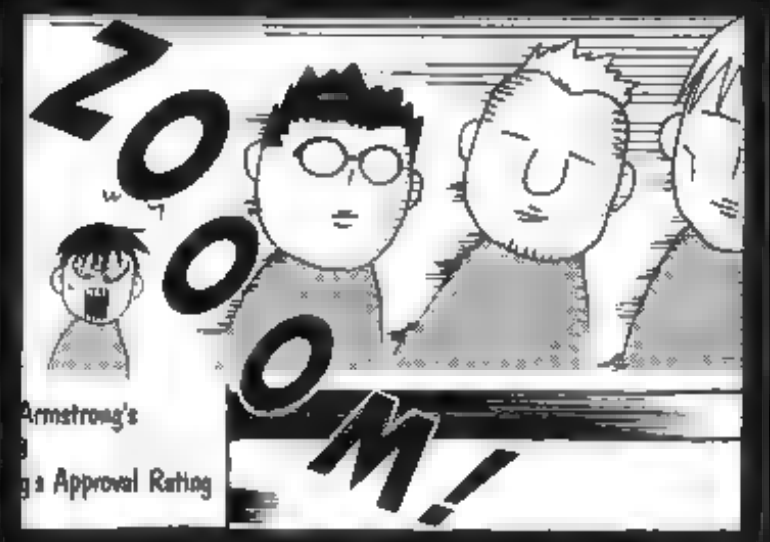
THINK YOU'VE MADE A MISTAKE?

CAMPAIGN PROMISES

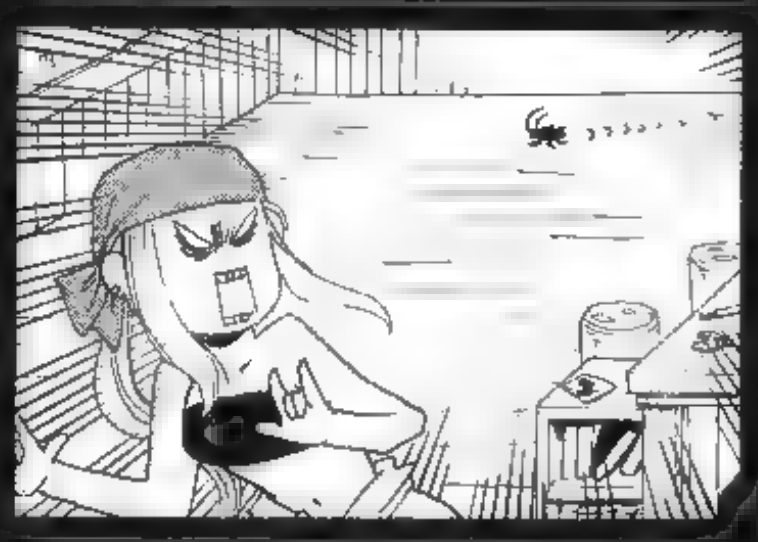

THE MAJOR GENERAL COMES FROM A DISTINGUISHED FAMILY, SO SHE MUST HAVE A LOT OF CONNECTIONS.
DO YOU THINK COLONEL MUSTANG STANDS A CHANCE AGAINST HER?
PSP
REAL-LY?
WSP
PSP
WSP
I HEAR THAT MAJOR GENERAL ARMSTRONG IS AIMING TO BECOME PRESIDENT TOO.


OKAY!! WELL IN THAT CASE, I'M SURE EVERYONE WILL VOTE FOR THE COLONEL!
HA HA!
AFTER ALL, THE COLONEL'S PROMISED TO CHANGE THE FEMALE MILITARY UNIFORMS TO MINI SKIRTS IF HE'S ELECTED!!
WA HA HA...
DON'T WORRY!
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Major General Armstrong's Approval Rating
Colonel Mustang's Approval Rating

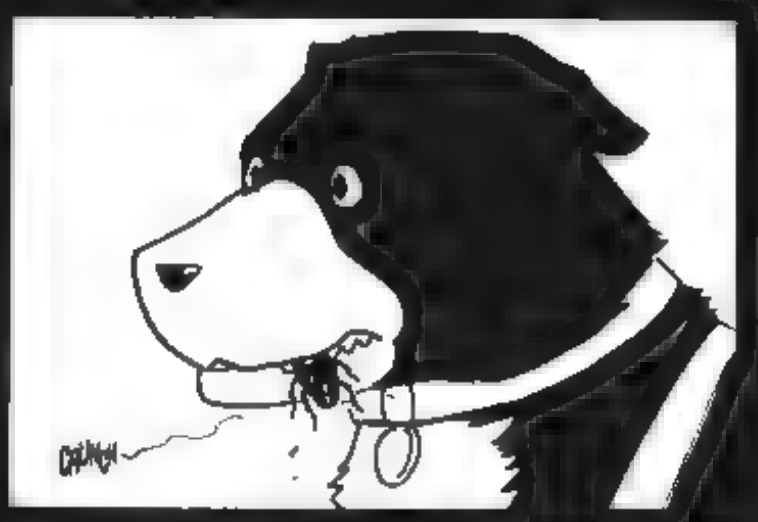




THE ROACH'S REVENGE








HA HA HA! THAT TICKLES, DEN.
HI. DID ANYTHING SPECIAL HAPPEN WHILE I WAS GONE?
WE'RE HOME!
OH, WELCOME HOME, ED.
LICK LICK LICK
NO... NOT REALLY...

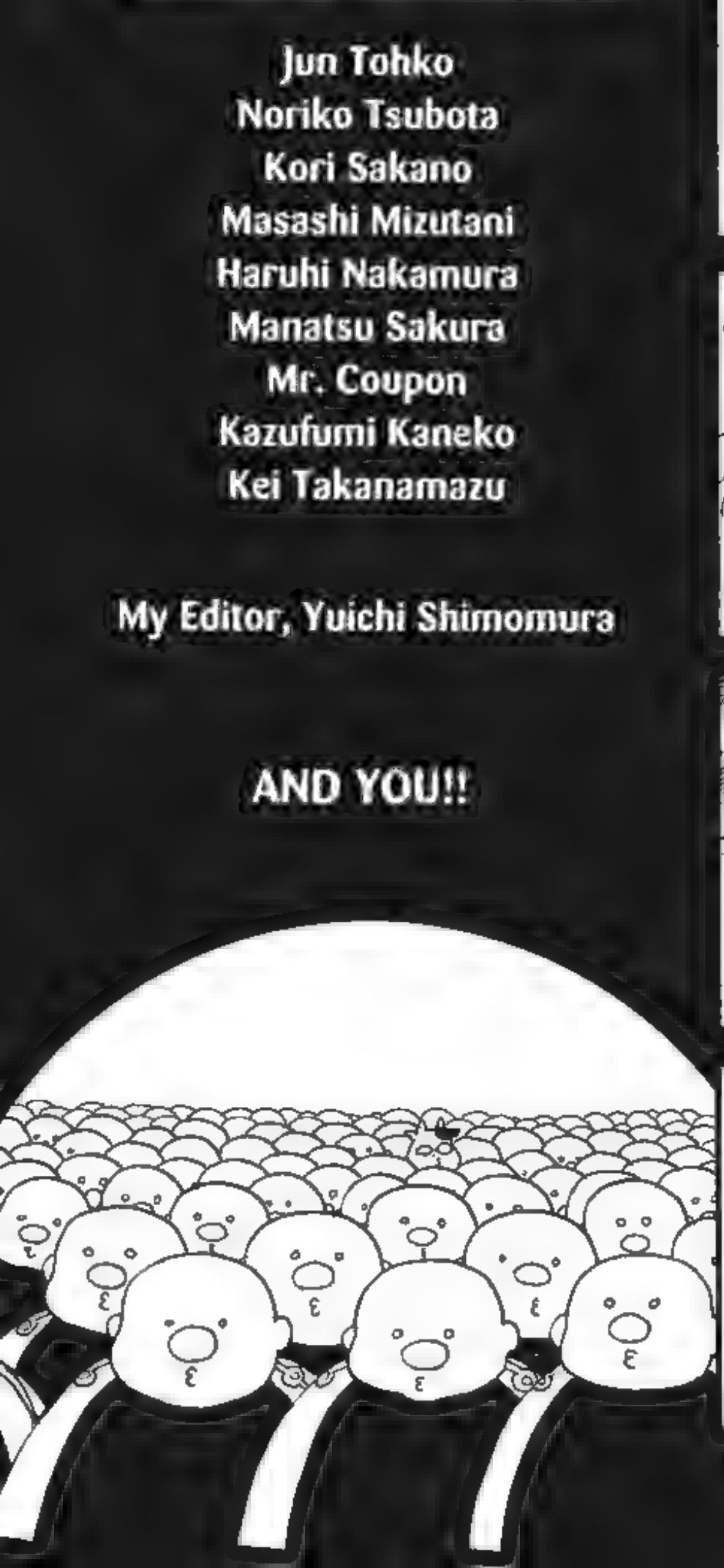
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Deep Beneath



Central City...



...the battle for the fate

of Amestris has begun!





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The final battle is here! Our heroes have come together, but the forces of evil are many and strong. Who will survive the carnage? What is the price of learning the truth?!


GILED
Let's try.


How useful!!
GULP...
ZO
ZO
ZO
ZO



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